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STRAIGHTFORWARD REPLIES BY EDEN TO LABOUR ALLEGATIONS

LEGATION CRISIS SITUATION EASED

ITALIAN GUARD WITHDRAWN

INADEQUATE DEFENCES QUERIED IN U.S.

Washington, To-day.
Mr. Cramp, the U. S. Vice-Consul at Addis Ababa, has notified the State Department that the Italian guard at the Legation was withdrawn after disarming a number of natives in the neighbourhood on Tuesday night.

Mrs. Edith Rogers, Republican representative of Massachusetts to Congress, has announced that she is introducing a resolution calling on Mr. Cordell Hull, Secretary of State, to "explain why adequate protection was not provided for the American Legation at Addis Ababa."—Reuter.

Washington: The State Department has sent a message to the British Legation at Addis Ababa expressing sincere appreciation of Sir Sidney Barton's invaluable assistance in the evacuation of American citizens.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

WASHOUT ON RAILWAY

Rain Causes Much Damage

TRAFFIC SUSPENDED

(From Our Own Correspondent.)
Canton, To-day.

Railway traffic between Canton and Lokchong in Northern Kwangtung is suspended to-day, as several portions of the line between Shaokwan and Lokchong have been washed away by heavy rains during the past several days.

Trains from the south go as far as Shaokwan, about 110 miles north of Canton. Several engineers and workmen left by train this morning for Shaokwan to repair the damaged rails. The repairing work will take about two weeks.

There were several landslides, and boulders destroyed the tracks at several points. The rains in Northern Kwangtung are particularly heavy this summer.

Passengers and freight for Lokchong are conveyed from Shaokwan by boats via the North River. The rains make it navigable, although on northward journeys the boats are met by strong southward currents. If further rain falls in the present season, it is feared that the river will again overflow its banks and will damage the railway, which runs almost parallel with the river.

DISASTROUS FIRE IN POLAND

Small Town Completely Destroyed

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Warsaw, To-day.
Many children and old people are feared to have lost their lives in a conflagration which destroyed the little town of Zamosc in Galicia yesterday. Ten persons suffered grave injuries and more than 2,000 were rendered homeless.—Trans-Ocean Service.



Sir Austen Chamberlain, above, warned the House of Commons yesterday against the continuance of sanctions and the possible expulsion of Italy from the League.

REACTIONS IN ROME

Rumours Strongly Denied

NO CONVERSATIONS WITH BRITISH AMBASSADOR

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Rome, To-day.
The rumours which were published in the British and Italian papers, to the effect that the British Ambassador to Rome, under instructions from Mr. Anthony Eden, had taken the initiative for restoring normal relations again and had moreover presented to the Italian Government, a declaration of the British Government that the latter considered Italy the only nation capable of re-establishing peace and order in Abyssinia, are emphatically denied here by informed British quarters.

It is stressed that the British Embassy has not been in touch with official Italian circles since last Monday's conversation with Signor Suvich, and that no arrangement has as yet been made for interviews between Sir Eric Drummond and the head of the Italian Government. These same reports are also denied in Italian quarters.

The French Ambassador, Conte de Chambrun, was received by Signor Mussolini yesterday.—Trans-Ocean Service.

U.S. NAVAL BILL

APPROVED BY SENATE

FLEET SECOND TO NONE

Washington, To-day.

The Senate Appropriations Committee has approved the naval appropriation bill in essentially the same form as passed by the House of Representatives Committee.

Senator Key Pittman expressed the opinion that the London Naval Treaty would be approved by the Foreign Relations Committee, and that there was a possibility of its ratification in the present session.—Reuter.

An earlier message said that a record peacetime naval appropriation bill, designed to make the navy second to none, had been approved by the relevant committee of the House of Representatives. The estimates totalled \$531,000,000, to be devoted to continuing work on the 84 warships at present under construction and the laying down of 12 new destroyers and six submarines, increasing the fleet air arm, and building up the reserves of strategic war minerals. It also authorised the laying down of two new battleships if another Power began capital ship replacement.

BLOCKADE OF SUEZ CANAL QUITE OUT OF QUESTION

SIR AUSTEN CHAMBERLAIN WARNS AGAINST DRASTIC ACTION

"CONTINUANCE OF SANCTIONS WOULD SERVE NO USEFUL PURPOSE"

London, To-day.

Launching a vigorous attack against the Government's policy in the Abyssinian dispute in the House of Commons yesterday, Dr. Hugh Dalton (Lab., Bishop Auckland) accused the Government of responsibility for the war, which could have been prevented; with failure to fulfil their obligations under the Covenant, particularly Article XVI; with encouraging the Abyssinians to resist in the belief of the League's help; with leaving the Abyssinians to their fate, having given no effective help of any kind, but on the contrary, having helped Signor Mussolini to destroy them by permitting the supply of indispensable oil; and particularly with profiting out of the sale of oil through the Government holding in the Anglo-Iranian Company. Dr. Dalton urged the intensification of sanctions against Italy by the inclusion of oil and other such commodities.

Mr. Anthony Eden, Foreign Minister, replying, referred to the great satisfaction of the Government for the splendid work of the British Legation guard at Addis Ababa, composed of Indian infantry. It was not too much to say that these troops saved large numbers of foreign lives. They not only protected 2,000 refugees, repelling at least one attack, but sent detachments to aid the foreign missions imperilled by the mob. Major Charter and his men worthily upheld the best traditions of the Indian army.

The situation with which Britain and the other League countries were faced was difficult and disappointing. Throughout the dispute Britain had taken the lead. He contended that the British sales of oil had dropped from 13 per cent. to 4 per cent. in 1935. If they had been stopped what difference would they have made to the course of the dispute?

Britain was the only Government at Geneva who had publicly urged oil sanctions. They always knew that the weakness of sanctions was that they could not be made immediately effective.

The only immediately effective sanction was to deny Italy the use of the Suez Canal. That must inevitably have entailed military action, which must inevitably have led to war. While the opposition proposed to support the League with horse, foot and artillery they only meant support with threats, insults and perorations.

Mr. Eden warned them that and Mr. Arthur Henderson Jr., Those questions were steeped in difficulties. The Government would approach them in a spirit of realism and constructive statesmanship.

The action to be taken must be collective, and Britain would play her part. Was it reasonable for the Government to ask for a free hand, with the assurance that the Government would pursue a policy under the Covenant, as laid down at the next meeting of the Council of the League on May 11? They should not blind themselves to the perils at the present time or the active rearmament which was taking place everywhere. Some nations were apparently rearming to the exclusion of almost everything else in the national economy. Britain had a great part to play in the future world organisation. She could only do it effectively in an armed world if she had the means at her disposal.—Reuter.

CHURCHILL'S ATTACK
Mr. Winston Churchill, (C. Ep.) strongly attacked Mr. Stanley Baldwin. He cited Mr. Baldwin's remark that he felt bitterly humiliated, and said: "We feel bitterly humiliated too, and by whom?" He criticised Mr. Baldwin for not participating in the debate and said that one man was taking all the power and not facing realities. The debate in the House of Commons gravely injured our affairs and if continued, action than in the Abyssinian dispute must produce demoralisation.

FORMIDABLE QUESTIONS
London: Mr. Anthony Eden, speaking to the League of Nations Union deputation, said that the world was faced with formidable questions. Could they anticipate in future more vigorous League action than in the Abyssinian dispute? Were the nations likely to take, under the Covenant, greater risks than they were prepared to for the Government, expressed take-hitherto? Was it possible to so to organise the League action had every reason to be proud of its record in the Italo-Ethiopian dispute. We had spent treasure rather than repressive?

GOVT. STOCK-TAKING
There must also be a stock-taking by each Government to decide the future course of action. The League as a whole must decide the further course of action. The Government proposed immediately to consider the problem, in consultation with the Dominions. The Government had gone to the furthest length that the League was prepared to go collectively. He asked for a free hand in connection with the League Council meeting on May 11.

As regards Germany, Mr. Eden and the British Ambassador were probably presenting the British questionnaire to-day.

DRASTIC ACTION URGED
Sir Archibald Sinclair (L. Caithness) urged an increase in the intensification of sanctions,



General Smuts, above, the South African Minister of Justice, is unequivocally in favour of continued support of the League of Nations following the Italo-Abyssinian dispute, expressing the view that the choice is not between this League and another League, but between this League and chaos and destruction.

THE ONLY CHOICE

General Smuts Urges Loyalty To League

CHAOS LOOMS AHEAD

Capetown, To-day.

"In the awful perplexities and dangers facing the world I am for doing the straight thing—that is, to stand loyally behind the League until Italy is compelled to make peace within the framework of the Covenant," declared General Smuts yesterday.

"If sanctions cannot be strengthened they should at least be carried out on the present basis. If the members of the League have the courage to do this the League will be saved. The choice is not between this League and another League but between this League and chaos and destruction."—Reuter.

South African Debate

UNEQUIVOCAL SUPPORT OF THE LEAGUE

Capetown: What would happen if a large black army were to rise in North Africa, asked Mr. O. Pirov, Minister of Defence, in the debate of the Assembly yesterday. He declared that the developments in Abyssinia had brought that day at least a quarter of a century nearer. The vague fears of the past had become an actual possibility.

General Hertzog said that if the League did its duty it must maintain sanctions, if necessary for years. If that were done Italy would be compelled eventually to give in. If the League did not continue sanctions it would be dead, for no country would desire to continue to be a member of a League that had proved to be a broken reed.

Advice would be sent to South Africa's representative at Geneva to support to the utmost any measures necessary for the preservation of the prestige of the League.—Reuter.

and had run great risks in support of the principle in which we believed, but had got cause for bitter disappointment owing to the failure of the system, and must take stock of the position. The stocktaking must be exhaustive and relentless, to see if the League can be made effective. The opposition motion was tabled by Mr. W. Gallagher (Com. W. Fife) amid ironical Ministerial laughter, and there was consequently no vote.—Reuter.

BADOGGIO'S PROMISE

ABYSSINIA WILL NOW HAVE PEACE

Civil Governor For Addis Ababa

FIRST STEP TOWARDS REORGANISATION

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL

Addis Ababa, To-day.
Marshal Badoglio has addressed the following proclamation to the population of Abyssinia:

"Abyssinians.—The troops of the mighty King of Italy have entered Addis Ababa. In town and country life will once more assume its normal aspects. Those who lay down arms and go back to work will suffer no harm. Peoples of Abyssinia, you will find peace, justice and prosperity in the shadow of the victorious Italian Tricolour."

Leaflets with the text of the proclamation were distributed to the population from the steps of the Imperial Palace. The Governor of Rome, Signor Bottai, who served throughout the campaign as a volunteer and who rode at Marshal Badoglio's side when the troops entered Addis Ababa, has been appointed Civil Governor of Addis Ababa. The appointment may be regarded as the first step towards the administrative reorganisation of Abyssinia.

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SECURITY OF EUROPE

British Questions To Germany

TASK TO REBUILD WHOLE STRUCTURE

London, To-day.

Turning to the communication to be addressed to the German Government regarding their peace proposals, about which Dr. Hugh Dalton had questioned him in yesterday's Foreign Affairs debate in the House of Commons, the Foreign Secretary stated that he hoped it would be possible for the British Ambassador to deliver these questions in Berlin to-day.

In reply to an interjection by Mr. Lloyd George, Mr. Eden said that while the Government were aware of some of the points regarding which some of the other Governments were specially interested, the questions which the British Government were putting would be communicated to the German Government on their sole authority and their own responsibility.

SAME OBJECTIVE

The Government's objective in these negotiations was the same as it had been from the beginning. They wanted to make of a period of crisis a period of opportunity. The unilateral denunciation of the Locarno Treaty had been a shock to the structure of the security of Europe. It was their task to rebuild it.

Britain had already made a certain contribution, for which they had no need to apologise, and they proposed to go on with the task, than which they believed there was none more urgent.—British Wireless Service.

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Taipei May 14

FOR STRAITS AND INDIA

Hakusan Maru May 8
Tilawa May 8

FOR JAPAN

Pres. Jefferson May 8
Kashima Maru May 9

Women's Page

Cleaning Glassware And Mirrors

BELTS AND BAGS OF CORAL

Novel Articles From Old Beads

If you have any old strings of coral, either branch coral or beads, now is the time to get them out and wear them, but not in the form of a necklace. Coral beads, bags and coronals for evening wear are among the most novel articles of decorative dress to be seen in Bond Street. Very lovely they are in themselves, suggesting the poetic shepherd's gifts to his love of "amber buds and coral studs" if only she will live with him.

The more ornate of the coronals being mounted on wire and elaborately designed, offer difficulties to the amateur maker, but simple bands for the hair may be contrived by sewing the corals regularly on to a strip of canvas of the desired width. Gold thread can be used for edging and between the beads, and if there are not enough of the beads there may be a judicious admixture of gold, silver, white, or crystal ones.

Canvas Background
The bags have also a foundation of canvas, which is completely covered with the coral and finished with a gilt or crystal mount. The belts are somewhat more practical to use and much easier to make. Again the coral beads are stitched on to a canvas background, which is afterwards lined with thin silk. Round beads are better on the whole than pierced branch pieces, which are apt to catch on the clothing if not carefully placed, but the two can be combined in a simple design, eked out with flat sewing of gold thread at the edges and to fill in the background, and, of course, round beads of different sizes can be used together. A simple buckle of glass or gilt metal is the proper fastening.

FOR THE WHITE-WASHER

When distemper or white-washing, slip the handle of the brush through a piece of cardboard. This will prevent the distemper from running up the arm.

FOR U.S.A.

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An Extra Brilliance

Cleaning glass is one of the pleasanter tasks at spring-cleaning time because the worker feels so amply repaid by the brilliance and lustre of newly washed glass.

The ideal bowl for the purpose is one of paper mache; if an ordinary sink is used it is advisable to lay a folded towel on the bottom of the sink. A little washing-blue added to the rinsing water gives cut glass an extra brilliance. If dust has collected in the crevices, this should first be removed by brushing—an old toothbrush serves excellently for this. Precipitated chalk helps to remove stains.

A few drops of methylated spirit added to the last rinsing water will also make glass shine brilliantly. Methylated spirit should be used for clearing mirrors; it makes them clearer, it helps to prevent their steaming over, and there is less risk of moisture getting to the back of the mirror, as the spirit evaporates more quickly than water.

Unightly Stains
It is sometimes difficult to reach to the bottom of a glass flower-vase, and unightly brown stains develop. These are most easily removed by half-filling the vase with warm soapy water and adding a dessertspoonful of uncooked rice grains. Shake the vase vigorously and the rice will help to scour the inside of the vase, and the soapy water will do the rest. The soft-bristled brushes are sold for cleaning cut glass.

Water-bottles can be cleaned by filling them with cold tea and allowing this to stand for a day and then washing in the ordinary way. In districts where the water is hard a white film sometimes collects on the inside of water-bottles. This will dissolve if vinegar is poured into the bottle and allowed to stand for a day.

THE FINISHING TOUCH

Gloves Play Big Part

Feminine tourists from all over the world buy gloves when they arrive in Paris, but there was never a wider variety to choose from than there will be this Spring and Summer.

With the new daytime frocks and their three-quarter or semi-long sleeves, the glove is often as not the finishing touch to a costume. It lends the necessary air of completeness to an outfit that is without coat, particularly, and is often in colour or fabric the direct complement of hat or shoes.

Long or short? Both schools of thought have their adherents this season, and the only solution is for millinery to have a series of gloves ranging in length from the elbow to wrist to suit the various suits and gowns in her wardrobe.

More popular than ever this year are coloured gloves, whether they are chosen to harmonise or accent the costume they go with. They are made most often in simple, smooth leathers with over-casting taking the place of the classic saddle-stitch seams.



One of the highlights of the newest dress parade will be this afternoon dress of navy blue silk bengaline, with white fagoting and straw buttons.

STAIR CARPETS

When stair carpets are relaid after spring cleaning care should be taken to alter their position slightly, either by raising the top end or by lowering the bottom one about six inches. In this way the parts that have been exposed to hard wear on the stair treads are given a rest, while fresh portions are brought into use. This ensures even wear along the whole strip and makes the carpet last longer. When new stair carpets are required it is advisable to buy half a yard or so more than the actual length needed in order to allow for occasional readjustments.

CARE OF BRUSHES

Brushes of all kinds should be washed in warm (not hot) soap suds in which a few drops of ammonia have been sprinkled. Rinse in warm and then cold water to stiffen the bristles and dry the brushes standing, or hanging, with the bristles downwards so that the moisture does not soak into the wood. Care should be taken that the ammonia does not come in contact with polished handles and backs.

CLEANING TEAPOTS

Silver teapots which have become stained inside with tannin should be soaked in boiling soda water overnight, and in the morning rinsed thoroughly. Repeat two or three times if necessary, and the teapot will be spotlessly clean.

HANDS THAT WOULD NOT HOLD

Woman Powerless With Rheumatism

Another case of rheumatism of long standing has yielded to what has become to be recognised all over the world as the one really scientific treatment. The woman herself writes as follows:—

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BEST WAYS TO CLEAN FURNITURE

Obtaining Good Results

To obtain the best results when cleaning furniture, all old polish should be removed before new polish is put on. The furniture should be rubbed down thoroughly with vinegar and warm water, preferably the day beforehand. Scratches, marks, and dents should be removed next. Small dents can be obliterated by rubbing a piece of warmed beeswax over them; if they are larger melt the beeswax, pour it in, and let it solidify. Scratches can be removed by rubbing with equal parts of turpentine and linseed oil, or with camphorated oil.

Rub Ebony With Milk
A scratch on walnut or mahogany furniture should be rubbed first with iodine or a solution of permanganate of potash, to darken it. White marks left by a hot plate, if not too bad, can be removed by rubbing with linseed oil. If it does not disappear with the first treatment, rub it again with spirit of wine. Boiled linseed oil mixed with a little vinegar is a good renovator for leather furniture.

Do not polish all wood with furniture cream. It can be used for walnut with a dull finish or for oak, though never for limed or waxed oak. These should be washed with a damp leather wrung out in vinegar and water. Rub ebony with milk, and black oak with cold, sweet tea. Varnished wood should be rubbed with linseed oil. The latter is also good for french-polished furniture and rosewood. Use salt and water for wicker, and, when dry, polish with furniture cream.

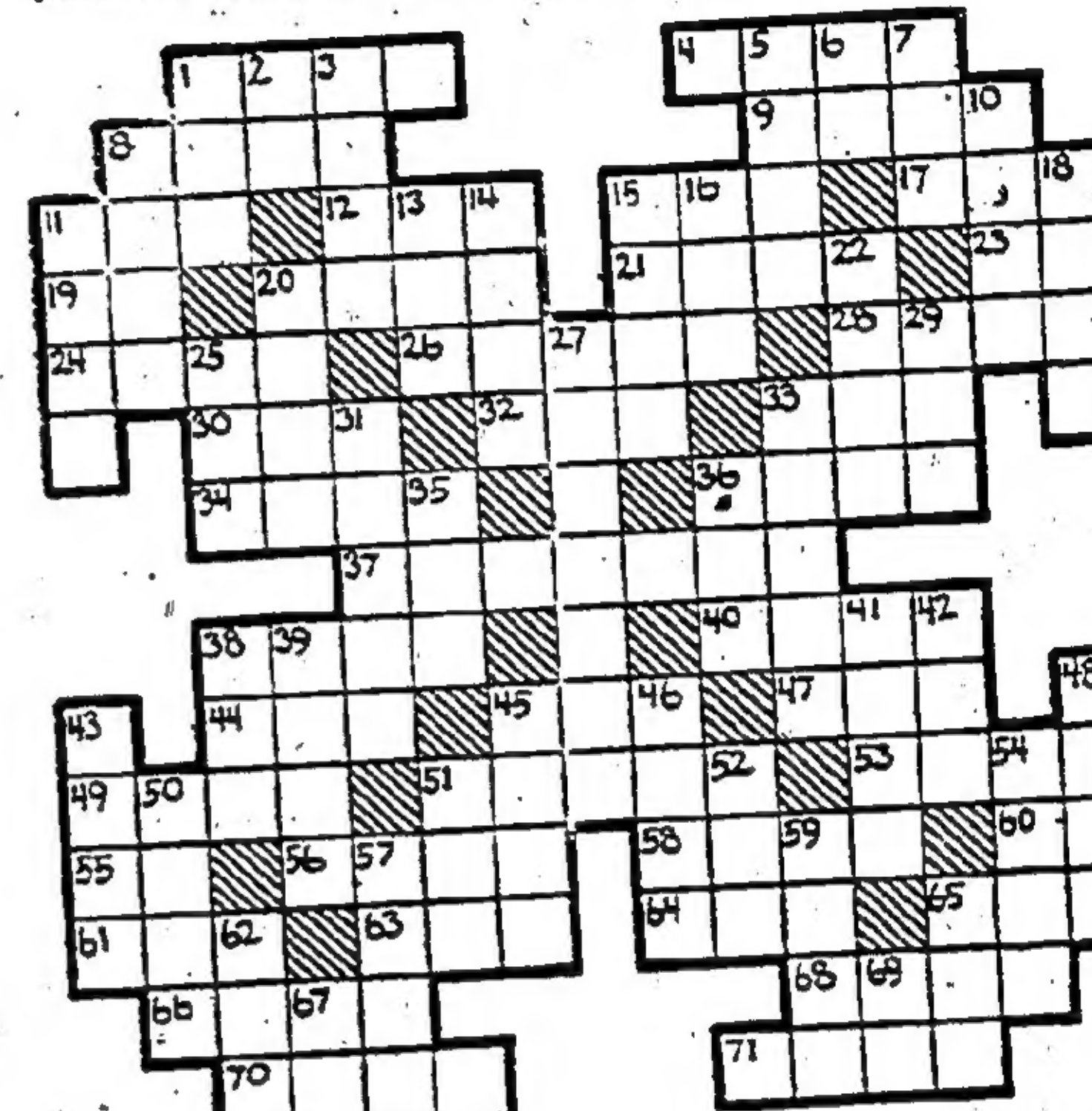
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DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE

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HORIZONTAL

- 1-Captivate
- 4-Crap
- 5-A coin
- 9-A continent
- 11-Part of the foot
- 12-Part of the mouth
- 15-March
- 17-A metal
- 19-Upon
- 20-A colonnade (Gr. Arch.)
- 21-Unit of work (pl.)
- 23-Act
- 24-Dispatched
- 25-River in Africa
- 28-Gone by
- 30-A grain
- 32-Speak
- 33-Wrong-doing
- 34-Make a mistake
- 35-Closely confined
- 37-A sweet course
- 38-Listen
- 40-Limited in amount
- 44-Greek goddess
- 45-Soot
- 47-Prefix. Not
- 49-Twist
- 51-Attends

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 33-A Hebrew month
- 35-Into
- 38-Thin
- 40-Preposition
- 41-Edge
- 42-Equip
- 43-Lick up
- 44-Part of a boat
- 45-Military signal
- 46-Appeal
- 47-Bard
- 49-Twisted

VERTICAL

- 1-Content
- 2-Part of verb "to be"
- 3-Thaw
- 5-Pealed
- 6-Exits
- 7-Deep hole
- 8-Performed
- 10-Assault
- 11-Pitch
- 13-Atom bearing an electric charge
- 14-Recompensed
- 15-Length measure (pl.)

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 16-Make a mistake
- 18-Remark
- 20-Chief actor
- 22-Twirl
- 23-Use in negation
- 24-Talks idly
- 25-An insect
- 31-Corrupts
- 32-A brittle (Surg.)
- 33-Suffix (abbr.)
- 35-Pairs (abbr.)
- 36-Pronoun
- 37-Eternities
- 41-Groar
- 42-Terminate
- 43-Agitate
- 45-Carol
- 46-Howl
- 48-Part of the head
- 49-One
- 50-Portuguese coin
- 51-Ocean
- 52-Small particle
- 53-Scottish language
- 54-Altar end of a church
- 55-Chart
- 56-A wager
- 57-Italian river
- 59-Half an em

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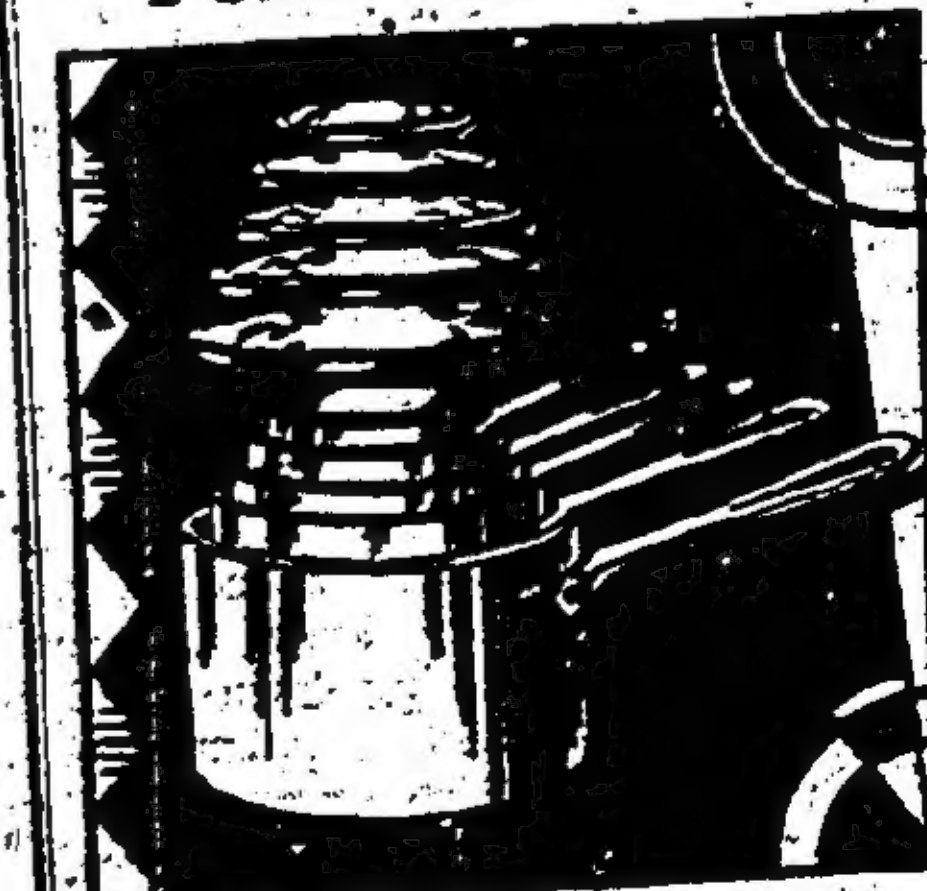
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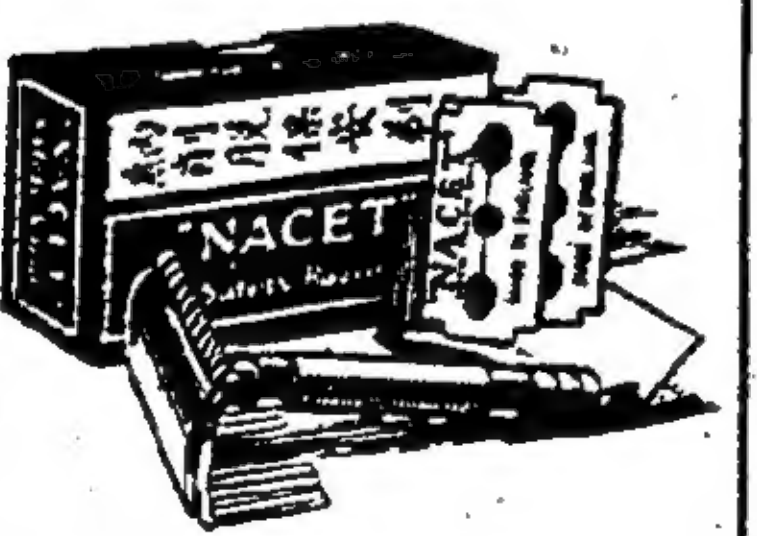
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Amusements

Cinema Notes

"PERSONAL MAID'S SECRET"
QUEEN'S THEATRE

This new Warner Bros. comedy drama has Margaret Lindsay, Warren Hull, Anita Louise, and Ruth Donnelly in the stellar roles.

The picture is based on a story by Lillian Day which appeared in the *Saturday Evening Post*. It is a rare and novel tale of a struggling New York family, ambitious to get ahead, but lacking the proper contacts.

The head of the family, though a man of ability and personality, is so intent on watching the family budget that he fears to launch out into the bigger affairs of life. His wife has a greater courage and starts the ball rolling by engaging a maid.

The maid has worked for many families and makes it her business to see that her employers come in contact with the proper persons who can bring them business. The way in which the family sky-rockets from a small apartment to a big Long Island country estate is one of the most humorous bits of fiction conceivable.

Margaret Lindsay has the role of the ambitious wife and Warren Hull, famous on the musical comedy stage and radio, is the husband, while Ruth Donnelly plays the part of the ever-efficient maid. Anita Louise and Frank Albertson have the romantic roles, and Arthur Treacher is a supercilious but humorous butler. Others in the cast include Henry O'Neill, Ronnie Cosby, Gordon Elliott, Florence Fair, Lillian Kemble Cooper and Mande Turner Gordon.

Arthur G. Collins directed the production, from the screen play by F. Hugh Herbert and Lillie Hayward.

"LET 'EM HAVE IT"—
KING'S THEATRE

Richard Arlen, Virginia Bruce, Alice Brady, Bruce Cabot, Harvey Stephens, Eric Linden and Gordon Jones, head the cast, which also includes Hale Hamilton, J. Farrell MacDonald, Dorothy Appleby, Barbara Pepper and a score of other popular names, in this picture.

Joseph Moncre March and Elmer Harris wrote the story, which presents Arlen, Stephens and Jones as three fearless Federal sleuths who pit science and brains against machine-guns. Cabot is seen as Joe Keefer, a chauffeur who starts his shocking career of crime by engineering the attempted kidnapping of his society girl employer, played by Virginia Bruce. Paroled, he grows more and more daring, finally becoming "Public Enemy No. 1."

The relentless pursuit and final spectacular capture of Keefer by the three friends makes one of the most exciting adventures the screen has ever shown.

Virginia Bruce and Richard Arlen provide the romance, while Alice Brady provides the comedy.

"SYLVIA SCARLETT"—
ALHAMBRA THEATRE

Unique among dramas in that it is woven around no time-worn theme, "Sylvia Scarlett" tells a straightforward tale of stirring, romantic adventures. With no other aim than to amuse and entertain, it is said to be brilliantly successful in attaining its objective.

Katharine Hepburn essays the most difficult and unique characterisation of her meteoric career in this frankly different production. Throughout the major part of the photoplay she masquerades as a boy, giving to the impersonation the full fire of dramatic genius which has lifted her to heights of the acting profession. In the later sequences, she assumes her true feminine identity and the contrast in characterisation is said to afford still further evidence of her extraordinary talent.

"Sylvia Scarlett" is the story of an adventurous spirit who is forced by circumstances into the making machine, a weird conglomeration of those who occupy the narrow fringe between petty rascality and outright criminality. London and rural England are the principal backgrounds.

Brian Aherne plays the romantic lead opposite the star and Cary Grant is seen in a colourful character role. Edmund Gwenn, famed English comedy star, Princess Natalie Paley, beautiful scion of Russian royalty, and Dennie

Radio: To-day's Programme

The following programme will be broadcast to-day from the Hong Kong Broadcasting Station Z.B.W. on a wavelength of 355 metres. (\$45 K.C.'s).

Relay of Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra

Children's Studio Concert

12.30-2.15 p.m.—European recorded Programme.
12.30 p.m.—Selections from Musical Comedy and Light Opera.

1 p.m.—Local: Time Signal and Weather Report.
1.03 p.m.—Variety—Ensemble Singing.

1.30 p.m.—Reuter Press Bulletins, Rugby Press News, Local Weather forecast, time and Announcements.

1.40 p.m.—The London Palladium Orchestra.

2 p.m.—Dance Music by Jack Hylton and his Orchestra.

2.15 p.m.—Close Down.

5-8 p.m.—European Programme.

5-6 p.m.—A Relay of the Hong Kong Hotel Dance Orchestra.

6 p.m.—Children's Studio Concert.

6.30 p.m.—Dance Music.

7 p.m.—Four Songs by Malcolm McEachern, (Bass).

1. In Praise of Ale (Sharpe).

2. Gentlemen, Good-Night (Longstaffe).

3. I'm a Roamer (Mendelssohn).

4. Chu Chin Chow ("The Cobbler's Song") (Norton).

7.13 p.m.—"Concerto—No. 1 in E Flat Major" (Liszt) played by Mischa Levitski (Piano) and the London Symphony Orchestra.

7.20 p.m.—The News Mayfair Orchestra.

Hi-Land Laddie (Carruthers).

Venetian Nights.

Milestones of Melody.

7.47 p.m.—Harry Terrani (Vodler).

1. Dan, Dan the Yodelling Man.

2. Sitting in a Jail House.

3. Yodel all Day.

4. Yodeller's Dream Girl.

8 p.m.—Local: Time Signal, Weather Report, Stock Quotations and Announcements.

8.05 p.m.—Chinese Studio Concert.

11 p.m.—Close Down.

8.05-10 p.m.—European Programme from Z.B.W. on a frequency of 640 kilocycles.

8.05 p.m.—Excerpts from Musical Comedy.

Moore, talented newcomer from the Broadway stage, are other members of the featured supporting cast.

The picture has directed by George Cukor and is third drama in which he has guided Miss Hepburn. The others were "A Bill of Divorcement" and "Little Women."

"PETER IBBETSON"—STAR THEATRE

This picture tells of the love of a boy and girl separated in early childhood and reunited years later just long enough to discover that their devotion to each other is that all that each one lived for. After their meeting they never see each other again, but their love brings them together in their dreams until death carries them away united.

This idyllic romance is perfectly portrayed by Ann Harding and Gary Cooper, while Ida Lupino, John Halliday, Douglas Dumbrille and Virginia Weidler give excellent support.

Henry Hathaway, who also directed "The Lives of a Bengal Lancer," directed the picture and tells the story charmingly and effectively.

"THE RAIN-MAKERS"—ORIENTAL THEATRE

Choosing aridity as a background for rollicking humour, and forsaking urban subtlety for suburban simplicity, Bert Wheeler and Robert Woolsey bring to the screen a new and refreshing type of comedy in "The Rain-makers," their latest R.K.O. feature.

As a "scientist" inventor of a rain-making machine guaranteed to produce anything from a drizzle to a downpour, Woolsey fits into the new role with side-splitting effects on his spectators. In his efforts to make good (and to make which has lifted her to heights of the acting profession. In the later sequences, she assumes her true feminine identity and the contrast in characterisation is said to afford still further evidence of her extraordinary talent.

The story deals with the desperate efforts of the farmers of Lima Junction to obtain moisture for their parched crops. Woolsey makes machine, a weird conglomeration of those who occupy the narrow fringe between petty rascality and outright criminality. London and rural England are the principal backgrounds.

Brian Aherne plays the romantic lead opposite the star and Cary Grant is seen in a colourful character role. Edmund Gwenn, famed English comedy star, Princess Natalie Paley, beautiful scion of Russian royalty, and Dennie

BRIDGE NOTES

I Turn Reporter—1

By Ely Culbertson

Selection—Seeing Stars.

Vocal Duets—
Scene from "To-night at 8.30"
Gertrude Lawrence and Noel Coward.

Song—
The Shepherd's Song—"Helen" (Offenbach).
Heidie Nash (Tenor).

Selection—Please Teacher.
8.30 p.m.—Four Songs by Richard Tauber (Tenor).

1. Loveliest of Women (Lehar).
2. My every thought, my one desire (Lehar).

3. Indian Love Call—"Rose Marie" (Friml).

4. O Rose Marie I love you—"Rose Marie" (Friml).

8.45 p.m.—Concert Waltzes.
Rosenkavalier Waltzes (R. Strauss).

The Druid's Prayer (Davson).
Dreaming (Joyce).

9 p.m.—A Relay of the Daventry News Bulletin and Announcements (Copyright by Reuter).

9.20 p.m.—Variety and Dance Music.

Fox-Trots—
At the Codfish Ball ("Captain January").

Early Bird ("Captain January").
Vocal—Headin' Home.

The Hill Billies.

Fox-Trot—Swing.

Song—
A Little Dahn of Dublin.

Anna Neagle (Soprano).

Everything Stops for Tea.

When the Guardsman started crooning on Parade.

Song—
I'm sittin' high on a Hilltop.

Sam Browne.

Fox-Trots—
What Harlem is to me.

Lovely Liza Lee.

Vocal—Stardust.

The Radio Three.

Fox-Trot—
Say the Word and it's yours.

Wait—
When the Leaves bid the trees goodbye.

10 p.m.—Big Ben: Close Down.

KING'S DONATION

The King has headed the Diamond Jubilee appeal of the Police Court Mission with a donation of \$25.

POPLAR OVERCROWDING

Of 37,102 families in Poplar 4,080 are living in over-crowded conditions, states the housing survey.

INTERESTING
FIND

Pre-Roman Cavern On
Golf Links

An underground cavern consisting of four large chambers has been discovered on the Mid-Kent Golf Links at Gravesend. It is believed by Mr. Ronald Jessop, the Kent archaeologist, to be of pre-Roman origin. These underground chambers are known in south-east England as denes-holes.

The discovery was made when a mechanical excavator, digging a sewer trench for a new road, cut through a large hole 5ft below the ground level. When explored this was found to lead to the cavern. The chambers are all carefully dug. On the roof of two of them are marks which appear to have been made with deer horn picks.

Interesting feature is the blocking of the original entrance by a wall of chalk and flints.

The name denes-hole is believed to be associated with the Anglo-Saxon "den," which means a hole or valley. A number of them have been found in the chalk districts of Kent and Essex.

They are variously assumed to be chalk wells, storage places or hiding-places.

tence? Now the diamond suit in dummy could not be established without twice letting South in the lead, permitting him first to set up, and, second, to cash the one all-important heart trick.

I complimented South, but the declarer was not so generous.

"The first time in two years that he stays awake," he growled, "has to be against me!"

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U.S. BASEBALL RESULTS

Smashing Win For Yankees

GIANTS NOSE OUT PIRATES

New York, To-day. The following were the results of the League baseball matches played yesterday:

National League			
	R.	H.	E.
New York	6	11	2
Pittsburgh	5	11	2
Brooklyn	5	12	1
Cincinnati	2	7	1
Boston	6	11	2
Jordan hit a home run.			
Chicago	8	13	1
Demaree hit a home run.			
Philadelphia	2	7	3
St. Louis	3	5	0
Gelbert hit a home run.			
American League			
Detroit	3	3	1
New York	14	14	0
Dickey, Pearson and Sellnick hit home runs and "Schoolboy" Rowe pitched.			
St. Louis	4	7	3
T. Lary hit a home run.			
Boston	7	10	2
Cleveland	7	11	1
Gleeson, Hal Trosky and Vosmik hit home runs.			
Philadelphia	1	7	1
Chicago	5	12	0
Piet hit a home run.			
Washington	1	8	0
—Renter.			

ENTRY FROM THE S.C.A.A.

43 Teams In Tennis League

With the South China Athletic Association sending their entry to the Hong Kong Tennis League, the number of teams to take part in the competition this year has been brought up to 43. The S.C.A.A. have entered teams in the 'A', 'B' and 'D' divisions of the League, while the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, who were in the 'D' division last year, have announced that they will not be competing this time.

George Anderson, the sensational sprinter from the University of California, has an excellent chance of securing a place in the United States team for the Berlin World Olympiad.

FRED PERRY PLEASED WITH RECENT FORM

CHAMPION IN TWO FINALS

KING GUSTAV OF SWEDEN ALSO SUCCESSFUL



Cannes, April 4. F. J. Perry is well satisfied with his return to form in the Cannes tournament. He entered two finals to-day. In the final of the men's singles Perry will meet Mellmer, the Swiss Davis Cup player, whom he defeated in the final of the Beau Site tournament here recently.

Perry beat M. Jaquemot (France) in the semi-final by 6-1, 6-2, and Ellmer beat C. F. Scroope, the Irish international, by 6-1, 6-3.

Perry also entered the final of the mixed doubles in partnership with Mme. Mathieu (France). They beat Farjon and Mme. St. Julien by 6-1, 6-4 in the semi-final.

Miss Noel's Success

Miss Susan Noel entered the final of the women's singles by beating Mile. Weimers by 6-2, 6-1.

King Gustav of Sweden entered two handicap finals. He was partnered by Perry in the men's handicap doubles, and they beat Thomas and Dr. Naesmyth 6-3, 6-0 in the semi-final.

With Miss Noel, King Gustav won two matches in the mixed handicap doubles. In the third round they beat Mile. St. Ferrol and M. Rene, who retired, and in the semi-final Julien and Farjon by 6-2, 6-1.—Reuter.

CURTIS CUP

Encounter Ends In Draw

Genevieve, To-day. Britain and America tied at 4½ matches each in the women's golf contest for the Curtis Cup here yesterday.

The following were the results:

Foursomes
Wanda Morgan and Mrs. Garon (Britain) and Mrs. Vane and Patty Berg (America), finished all square.

Mrs. Crews and Mrs. Cheny (America), beat Mrs. Walker and Pamela Barton 2 and 1.

Mrs. Holm and Mrs. Anderson (Britain), beat Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Glutting 3 and 2.

Singles
Mrs. Vane (U.S.) beat Wanda Morgan, 3 and 2; Mrs. Holm (Britain) beat Patty Berg, 4 and 3; Mrs. Glutting (U.S.) beat Pamela Barton one up; Mrs. Crews (U.S.) beat Mrs. Walker one up; Mrs. Anderson (Britain) beat Mrs. Cheny one up; Mrs. Garon (Britain) beat Mrs. Hill 7 and 5.

LOCAL BASEBALL

(Continued from Page 4)

Y. Hachiuma who is on leave, but who is expected back early next month. During his absence Saito will look after the side. Murata, Honda and most of last year's players are still available.

Mindanao Entering
The U.S.S. Mindanao will endeavour to play their fixtures while she is in port, and the presence of an American Naval team undoubtedly lends to the game that "ball game spirit" which, with wisecracks, peanuts and pop, makes even the dullest game worth while.

A New Team
A new team known as the Eastern Baseball club are contemplating joining and will be composed for the most part of youngsters who learned the game in Hong Kong. O. el Arculli and A. M. Omar are among those playing for them.

The date for the closing of entries has been extended till Sunday and a meeting of Club representatives will be held at the European Y.M.C.A. on Tuesday next at 5.30 to draw up the season's fixtures. Representatives are especially requested to be present in order that the fixtures may be arranged to suit all clubs.

RALPH METCALFE IS LEADING CHOICE

OWENS AND PEACOCK ALSO IN RUNNING

GEORGE ANDERSON'S CLAIMS

New York, March 16.

RALPH Metcalfe, Marquette graduate student whose flying feet slipped up on the threshold of Olympic conquest four years ago, is the outstanding choice of America's foremost track coaches for international honours in the Berlin games this summer.

"Metcalfe should breeze in this time," says Robert (Dink) Templeton, Stanford's outspoken coach, in picking the runner who has captured seven out of eight available national outdoor sprint titles in the past four years.

"He is coming along without the strain of a college season, just as Eddie Toland did in 1932. Metcalfe's powerful physique will carry him through the grind and make him this country's best bet to retain spring supremacy."

But what about Ohio State's Jesse Owens, who equalled the world 100-yards mark of 9.4s. and lowered the 220-yards record to 20.3secs., or Eulace Peacock, Temple's holder of national broad jumping as well as 100-metres honours?

Templeton doubts if Owens, less rugged than Metcalfe, can withstand the pressure, especially on heavier European tracks. He rates the Buck-eye bullet "tops" in the broad jump.

Other coaches, including Bernie Moore, of Louisiana State, and Dean Cromwell, of Southern California, bracket Owens with Metcalfe for the Olympic sprint. His own mentor, Larry Snyder, says:

Owens For Three Events

"Owens will run the 100 metres, 200 metres, and will broad jump, if the final tryouts are arranged so that he will not have to run too many heats in the dashes.

He will need to broad jump only on Friday to clinch a place, if he is as good as he was last year (when he leaped to a world record of 26 ft. 8½ in.) That will enable him to concentrate on the two dashes on Saturday. The Olympic programme is so spread that he can easily compete in the three events if he qualifies and he will qualify."

Ythan's First Win

Racing enthusiasts at last had the satisfaction of seeing Ythan (Mr. Botelho) win its first race after numerous attempts. Much was expected from Sylvandale (Mr. Davis), which jumped out into a fairly good lead, followed by Double Chance (Mr. Deitz).

From the two mile post, however, Ythan took command and won without being seriously challenged, with Foxbridge a length behind and Double Chance third.

A Grand Time Finishes Strongly
The race for "A" Class Australian ponies produced an interesting finish. Mr. Proulx sent Shooting Star out into a lead of several lengths, with Saucy Face (Mr. Pih), Australian Boy (Mr. Davis) and A Grand Time (Mr. Botelho) grouped together behind.

Coming into the straight, Shooting Star was still ahead, with A Grand Time coming through with a powerful rush. Within twenty yards of the winning post, Shooting Star bored out, and thus enabled A Grand Time to win by a narrow margin. Mr. F. M. L. Soares had the mount on Lancashire Lad, which was nowhere, and the Tientsin rider, Mr. Liang, on Perfect Day was left at the start.

Boxing Eve's Eclipse

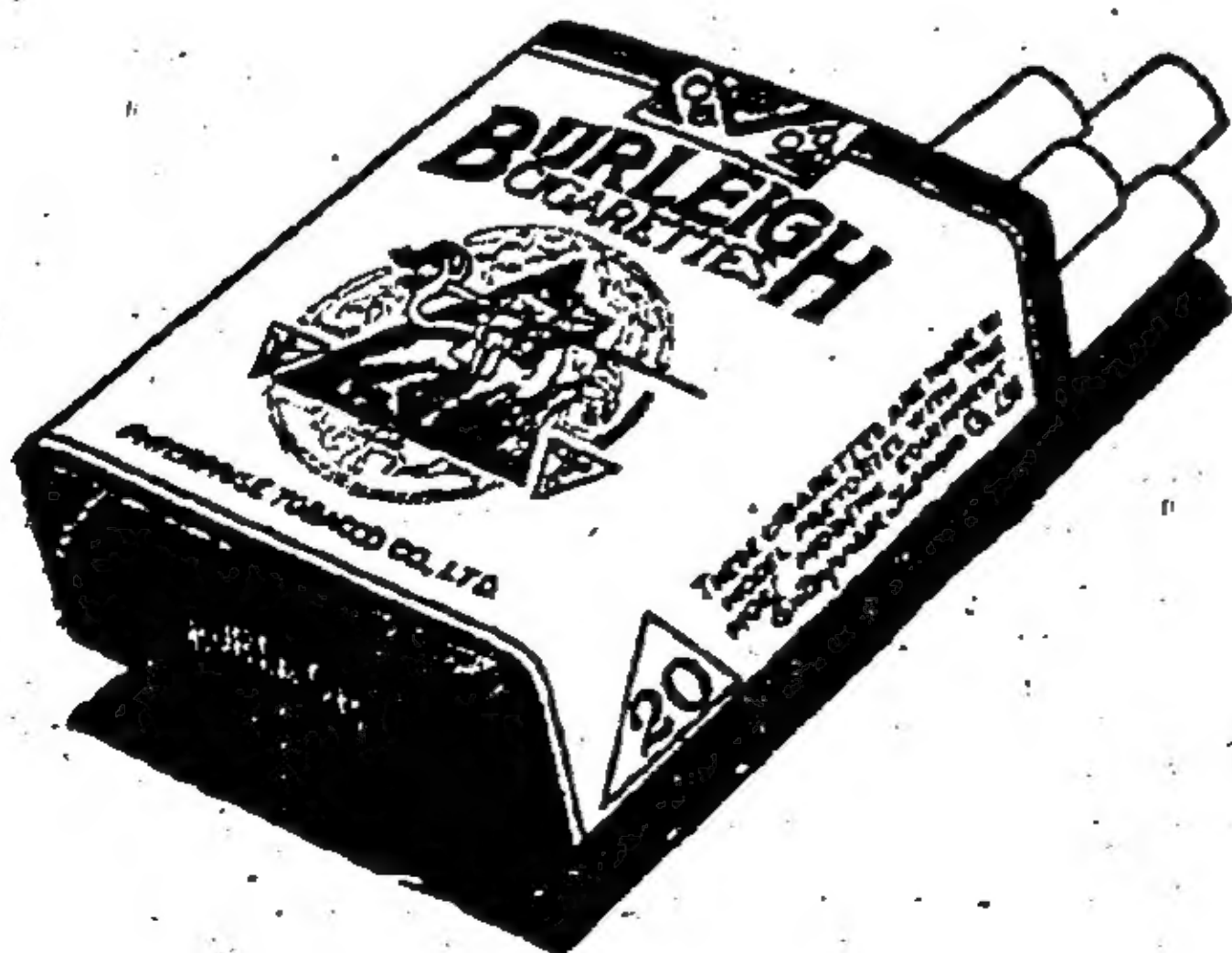
From the betting point of view, the biggest disappointment was undoubtedly the defeat of Boxing Eve (Mr. Harris) in the last race, the Mount Gough Handicap for Novice riders over six furlongs. In view of the brilliant form displayed by this pony at the previous meeting, one was hardly prepared for its miserable eclipse in this race, especially when it was so confidently backed to win. Mr. H. A. de Botelho, however, fully deserved to be congratulated on scoring another win on Gold Sovereign. Philanderer was expected to have some say at the finish, but a bad start was its undoing. Hopscotch took the lead, followed by Boxing Eve, but when near the Public Stand Gold Sovereign came through from behind to win fairly easily.

coach, Chick Wallender, Texas star, and Foy Draper, diminutive Southern Californian, also are prospects.



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"C'est la Guerre"

The General Chamber of Commerce here is the mouth-piece of the commercial community and as such any pronouncements it has officially to make on business matters may be taken to represent the general opinion of business and commercial interests in the Colony. In his review of the year at the annual general meeting of the Chamber on Monday the Chairman, the Hon. Mr. W. H. Bell, was able to make an optimistic forecast of the business future of the Colony, based on one or two particularly important factors. The first of these is the management of its currency by the Chinese Government, which, as Mr. Bell remarked, has been successfully carried through for the last six months, showing no reason to suppose that the management may not be successfully continued. The next important point is a stabilised currency in the Colony, more or less "pegged" in relation both to sterling and the Chinese currency. Then there is the evidence of increasing cordiality in the business relations of Canton and Hong Kong. It has been stated over and over again that close and cordial relationships between these two centres is a *sine qua non* for an improvement in trade for both parties. This is so obvious as hardly to need re-statement, but there continues to be a section in both communities who cannot, or will not, recognise the obvious. Equally patent is the benefit which will be derived from the linking of the Colony by air to Europe; and when Mr. Bell said that "to the ordinary business man it seems impossible that two great lines like Imperial Airways and Pan-American Airways, which in a short time will practically encircle the globe, should have their meeting places 35 miles apart," he was enunciating what many other people besides business men feel to be a stupid and senseless anomaly. It is undoubtedly the business of the authorities to see to the forging of this link in the very near future. The thing is not impossible, and whatever the difficulties in the way, they should be tackled forthwith.

Mr. T. A. Mitchell, who seconded the adoption of the Report and Accounts, made a good point when he pleaded for less talk of the eternal "Depression." In truth, everybody is heartily sick both of the word itself and of the state of mind which it indicates. Continual prating of the "Depression" indicates the worst sort of defeatist attitude—a metaphorical folding of the hands and waiting for some miraculous agency, rather than sustained individual effort, to lift business out of the slough of despond into which it has fallen. Micawber-like attributes may argue the best form of philosophical resignation, but they are extraordinarily bad for business. What is wanted is energy, optimism and hard work. The preliminaries, as Mr. Bell pointed out, are there for the asking. In his own words: "Conditions are more favourable for a revival of trade, and the depression which has weighed so heavily on us shows signs of lifting." It is up to the business community to do the rest. "C'est la guerre" and everything which it connotes might most conveniently be relegated to the limbo

"MODERN TIMES"

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PROPAGANDIST

(By PHYLIS JUBY)

That Charlie Chaplin is an artist, a great artist, is beyond doubt, but he is no propagandist. He tells a tale of modern industry—and individual enterprise, of our crazy search for a little happiness. He presents a series of situations against this background of purposeless suffering, but he offers no solutions. He doesn't even try to explain. We feel his picture is too much a contemporary scene to leave us with no comfort, no suggestion that there might be some solution.

But perhaps it is in this simple presentation of situations that his genius lies. He will anger and irritate none; those who would simply laugh, laugh, those who would ponder, ponder. The little man identifies himself with his audience. So completely does he do this that he ties himself down to no dialect but speaks only with the universal voice of gesture and expression. And what joy it is to see a silent film again. There are the sound effects, music, and an occasional spoken word. He has shown us what the cinema might be; he has made use of the modern technique, but only as a background to his own artistry.

Choice Of Heroine

His choice of a heroine is a surprise and a delight; no mere characterless sentimentality. No wonder that this time, instead of going off alone on the endless road out of screen, he goes in company, smiling, and looking for what may turn up. Miss Paulette Goddard is clever, amusing and lovely. There is plenty to laugh at of course—Charlie twisting screws, tighter or little pieces of machinery passing by on a belt that moves faster at the whim of the manager; the experiment of an automatic feeding machine with hygienic mouth wiper, which will enable a man to be fed while he works and so eliminate the lunch hour; how it runs amok when it has reached the Indian corn course; his becoming a Communist leader simply by picking up a red street flag which has fallen off a lorry.

In the person of Charlie Chaplin we live through fantasies each of us have had in some form or another—even to skating with fairylike grace along the edge of a precipice!

EXPLANATION OF TO-DAY'S CARTOON

"Little Sure Shot"

ANNIE OAKLEY, christened Phoebe Anne Oakley Moze, was born on August 13, 1860, in a log cabin in Ohio. As soon as she was old enough to hold a gun, Annie found out that she got a great kick out of shooting the big firearms her father kept around the house, but her enthusiasm was not diminished. She played with guns instead of dolls. Her reputation as a marksman circulated fast and when still very young, she was on the vaudeville stage. Records of marksmanship were heaped upon her shoulders. She got a perfect score with 50 live birds—split a card in two sidewise at 30 paces—burst 4,772 balls out of 5,000 in ten hours of continuous shooting—shot a 984 out of 1,000—and other records too numerous to mention. Miss Oakley died on November 3, 1926, at the age of 67.

WHIST DRIVE AT K.C.C.

A very successful whist drive was held at the Kowloon Cricket Club last night, when a very large gathering assembled under the direction of Messrs. C. J. Tacchi, T. Carr and J. S. Smith. The evening was voted one of the most enjoyable this season, and it is hoped to make this form of entertainment a regular feature of the club's social programme.

Two cases of diphtheria were reported as having occurred in the Colony during the 24 hours ended on Tuesday last.

of forgotten catchwords; they are seldom of the slightest use to anybody.

Here There and Everywhere.

AMERICA'S DERBY HOPES

If an American owner is to win this year's Derby—for the first time since "Boss" Croker's Orby won 29 years ago—he is most likely to be Mr. William Woodward, President of the New York Jockey Club.

Mr. Woodward has two chances, with Boswell and Flares, and of the two Boswell is the better colt.

This in spite of Flares being a full brother to the famous American horse, Omaha, which has been sent to England to run for this year's Ascot Gold Cup.

Mrs. James Corrigan was fired by Derby ambitions when she gave 7,100 guineas for Technique at the Doncaster yearling sales in 1934, the top price that year. Technique did not run as a two-year-old. His debut at Lingfield Park last Friday has not encouraged American hopes of a Derby win. He then finished last.

The third American owner in the Derby picture is Mr. Ralph Beaver Strassburger, with his colt Philadelphia. Mr. Strassburger owns Boethius, which was beaten by only a head in the Lincolnshire Handicap recently.

Your Daily Smile!

During a village concert the stage gave away and the vox list fell through. He was accompanied by a friend at the piano.

SNAPPY

"Over the bridge for Morecambe," shouted the harassed porter as loudly as he could.

A woman tapped him on the shoulder.

"Which is the train for Morecambe?" she asked.

"Over the bridge for Morecambe," repeated the porter.

"But I've got a tin chest," she expostulated.

"Lady," said the porter, through clenched teeth, "I don't care if you have a brass back, copper legs, and cast-iron feet—it's over the bridge for Morecambe!"

TOO RISKY

The minister had just married an elderly and rather dour Scot to a woman considerably younger than himself, and after the ceremony he remarked to the bridegroom, "Well, I suppose you'll be going for a honeymoon now?"

"Honeymoon?" echoed the other.

"What's that?"

"Oh, you know," laughed the clergyman, "a little trip somewhere together, before you settle down to married life."

The bridegroom shook his head morosely.

"Na, na," he said, "I dinna hold w' gallivantin' about w' a strange wumman."

NEW HOUSING IN AMERICA BRITISH SCHEMES SET THE PACE

WHERE SURPRISING FACTORS
HINDER REFORM PLANS

(By Nathan Straus)

THERE is a rivalry between the peoples of English-speaking countries which is far from the field of armaments and war. I mean a rivalry in the development of democratic institutions, and the promotion of the welfare of the common man.

Americans like to point with pride to achievements in many fields in which we believe we have led the way to progress. However, there are certain milestones on the road toward social justice which Great Britain can rightfully claim to have reached long before us.

For instance, there are the abolition of slavery; the enactment of workmen's compensation laws, to protect labourers in hazardous occupations; and, more recently, has come recognition of the obligation of the State to provide decent housing for its inhabitants.

Use Of State Aid

You in Great Britain have built with government aid since the war more than 2,100,000 dwellings in model, low-rental projects or housing estates. During the same period we in America have built fewer than 15,000 government-aided dwellings. In fact, practically all of our achievements have been concentrated in the last two years, since the election of President Roosevelt.

The unemployment crisis of the early 1930's, involving complete stagnation in the building industry, served to focus public attention on American slums, American homes, and their fitness or unfitness to be used to house human beings. If that impetus to a housing programme bears fruit, the depression will have left, in addition to its great heritage of lives wrecked and careers ruined, one real contribution of married life.

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value—decent low-rental homes.

Actual achievement to date is that seven projects in six cities, providing homes for about 12,000 persons, have been undertaken by private limited-dividend housing corporations, financed by low-interest Government funds.

Three Stages

Moreover, under legislation enacted in 1935, the Housing Division of the Public Works Administration has initiated on its account 57 housing schemes, on most of which construction has now begun. When complete, within a year's time, they will provide modern low-cost housing for 130,000 persons.

Practically every step in social progress in the United States goes through the same three stages. First, it is said to be contrary to the laws of God and man. Then it is "unconstitutional," and finally it is accepted as natural, proper, and the only reasonable state of affairs. Our housing programme is now in the "unconstitutional" stage.

Readers of the American news in your newspapers will not have to be told of the rigidity with which our written Constitution occasionally blocks the path to needed reforms, or at least delays their enactment.

Great Difficulties

Even though our housing programme is approved by public opinion and is so framed as to be constitutional, there are great difficulties not known to you. For instance, we have relatively few large tracts in a single ownership, such as are a commonplace in England.

In a report of the City of Westminster for the year ending March 31, 1935, there are descriptions of two huge housing estates, both of them built on property belonging to a duke. Land acquisition is immensely simplified when large tracts in one ownership are available.

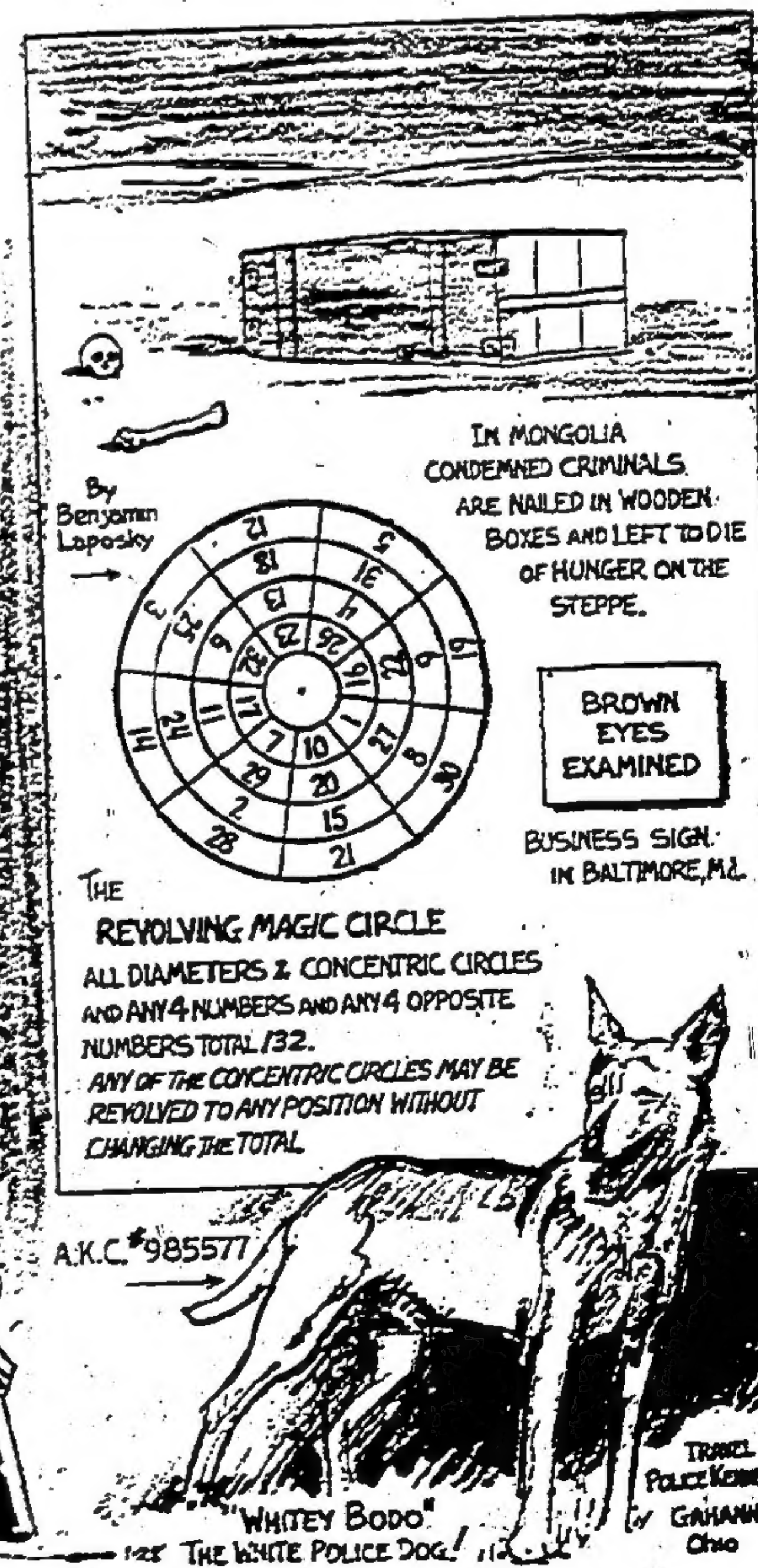
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"BELIEVE IT OR NOT" by Robert L. Ripley



ANNIE OAKLEY
"Little Sure Shot"

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OUT OF 5000 SHOT AT
USING 316-GAUGE GUNS
AND LOADING HERSELF
THE BALLS WERE
THROWN FROM
3 TRAPS AT 15 YARDS RISE
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ENORMOUS PROFITS MADE BY
CHEAP STORESWoolworths' Pay 100 Per Cent
Dividend For 1935

The profits of F. W. Woolworth and Company, chain store proprietors, for the year ended December amount to \$5,288,404, against \$4,879,950 for the previous year.

The directors announce a final dividend of 50 per cent. (25.00), making 80 per cent. (40.00), together with a cash bonus of 1s. a share making a total of 100 per cent. on the 2s. shares.

The carry forward is \$6,341,663, against \$5,914,454.

Last year a dividend of 4s. per share was paid.

JUBILEE OF
COMPANYNestle Firm In
Philippines

25TH ANNIVERSARY

The Nestle Company in the Philippines celebrated its twenty-fifth anniversary on April 24. Manila is now the headquarters in the Islands for the other branches established in Iloilo, Cebu, Zamboanga, Legaspi, Baguio and Davao.

The condensed milk industry was established in Europe by the Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Co., who, in 1867, built their first condenser in Switzerland at the little village of Cham, by the foot of the Rishi Mountain.

Owing to the excellence of their products, the business of the Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Co. prospered and additional condenseries were built in Switzerland and other countries.

Amalgamation
In 1905 the Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Co. combined with the Henri Nestle Company, a powerful competitive organization, which, since 1875, had manufactured Nestle's Milk Food and Sweetened Condensed Milk at Vevey (Lake of Geneva).

The result of the combination was the Nestle and Anglo-Swiss Condensed Milk Co. with headquarters at Cham and Vevey (Switzerland).

The Nestle Company is the largest of its kind in the world, and has condenseries not only in Switzerland but in the United States, England, France, Germany, Austria, Holland, Spain, Italy, Sweden, Norway, Canada, Australia, South Africa and Brazil.

The Nestle Company in the Philippines, like the company as a whole, has progressed rapidly during the last 25 years.

Growth Of Staff
In 1911, when the local office was first opened, there was a staff of only 15; to-day there are 122 Filipinos employed by this immense concern.

The welfare of infants has always been an integral part of the business of the Nestle Company.

In Switzerland the Company is very largely interested in what is known as the Nestle Hospital—a hospital of super-modern construction where one will find all the latest apparatus of the medical profession and it is in this hospital that experiments concerning infant welfare are continually being made.

In the Philippines the services of a well known physician who specializes in infant feeding are retained, assisted by a staff of 14 nurses, all of whom have been recommended by leading government institutions and are specialists in child welfare.

NOTE TO TAKE
TO POLICEBoy Given Warning Of
Double Tragedy

Worthing: A note for the police given by a man to a boy passing his house led to the discovery of a double shooting tragedy in Sandown-road, Southwick, last month. The man, William Hollamby, a retired electrical engineer, and his wife, both aged about 60, were found by the police dead on the kitchen floor with bullet wounds in their heads. A revolver from which two bullets had been fired was near them.

The note asked the police to go to the house, where they would find the couple dead. Both Mr. and Mrs. Hollamby had been in ill-health recently.

PRISONERS' FIGHT
IN GAOLAccused Committed
To Sessions

EVIDENCE CONCLUDED

Committal proceedings against Lau Fong, aged 19, prisoner No. 25261, on a charge of manslaughter of Tsoi Tong, aged 35, prisoner No. 23884, at Laichikok Prison on February 18 last, were concluded before Mr. Q. A. A. Macfadyen at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon. When defendant was committed to stand his trial at the next Criminal Sessions.

Mr. M. J. Abbott, the Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for the prosecution, assisted by Detective Sub-Inspector J. O'Donovan.

In evidence, Ahmed Din, Warden in Laichikok Gaol, stated that he witnessed the attack by accused upon the deceased, on the morning of February 18. Before the attack, accused was about six feet away from the other man. The knife used in the attack was lying on the ground. Suddenly, accused picked it up and struck deceased. Deceased fell off the plank where he was sitting and fell to the ground.

Witness was positive there was no dispute between the two men prior to the attack. Witness had his attention on the prisoners and was in a good position to see everything in the room. No one was using the knife at the time accused picked it up. There were other prisoners using a knife, and they were sitting on either side of a mat, which they were engaged in making, two on each side. After the attack, witness handed the knife to Warden Woodward.

Accused's Allegations
Asked if he had any questions to put to the witness, accused said he had the knife in his hand when he attacked deceased, and had not picked it off the ground. He also alleged the witness was not in a position to see the fight, as there was some matting obstructing his view. The fight had already begun and it was on the cries of other prisoners that witness came on the scene. A prisoner named Ya Mui took the knife away from accused and handed it to the Warden. When the witness paced to another side of the room, his view was obstructed.

Warden G. Woodward deposed to hearing shouts from the direction of No. 8 Hall of the prison on February 18. He proceeded to the scene and found deceased lying on the floor with a large gash just above the knee cap. Witness took deceased in his arms to Principal Warden Merriman's office.

After Chief Warden J. W. Fitzgerald had explained the procedure of work in the prison Indian warden Ahmed Din, recalled, said the accused was engaged on making thin mats on the loom. No knife was needed in his work. After further evidence had been given by Ma Sai-lin, interpreter attached to the Central Detective Office, as to the statement received from accused, His Worship committed the prisoner to the Sessions.

KEY STILL WITH
VICTIMLock Mystery Of
£5,000 Theft

Paris: Paris police are investigating the disappearance from the apartment of a visitor at a leading hotel in the Boulevard Haussmann of jewellery said to be valued at £5,300 and £670 in money.

The victim of the theft is Mme. Leopold Leens, aged 78, a Belgian. Her son, M. Andre Leens, a former airman who is the head of a business in Paris, also lives at the same hotel.

When Mme. Leens went out one afternoon she locked her jewellery and her cash in a leather attache-case. The case was locked in a wardrobe in her bedroom and the key placed in her handbag. She returned two hours later to find that her money and jewellery had disappeared without the lock of the wardrobe having been forced.

A leather strap around her attache-case had been cut with a razor.

The police have taken a number of finger-prints from the door of the wardrobe.



Charlie Chaplin's latest triumph, "Modern Times," will be screened at a special premiere at the King's Theatre at 9.30 p.m. to-night.

To-day's Complete Short Story

BACHELOR

By Josephine
Bentham

"I'm not going to see you any more," said Stella, over the telephone.

"And why not?" demanded Thomas Meade.

"Because I want to be married," said Stella serenely.

There was a brief silence.

"And to whom?" asked Tom—his bewilderment obvious.

"Oh—to almost anybody," said Stella.

There was no need to ask if this were a joke. Stella didn't go in for senseless forms of humour.

"May I run up and talk to you about this?" asked Tom.

"Why, of course. I only meant that I wasn't going to play around with you any more, my dear."

Tom Meade put up the receiver. It took him only fifteen minutes to drive to her flat.

TO-MORROW'S STORY

To-morrow's story will be "Over And Done With," by Marjorie Warby.

There was no difference in Stella Haskell's manner. She greeted him as she always had—with a quick, boyish salute before her hand went firmly into his own. And there was no difference in her smile.

He stuffed his gloves into a pocket, and Stella's maid took his hat and coat and stick.

"Well, Stella?"

"Well, Tom?"

"It's my turn for questions, dear."

"Why? I've never asked any."

But she took quick pity on him; that was Stella's way.

"I'll explain," she said.

"I don't mind admitting," said Tom, "that you've terrified me."

"Did you think I'd heard something about your reputation? It wasn't anything like that!" She fished a cigarette from the black lacquer box on the table by her side, and paused long enough for him to light it. "No, it wasn't anything like that—it wasn't anything about you. As a matter of fact, I've been going in for retrospection for the last couple of days."

"And I'd be the last to blame you for that," he murmured.

"Nicely said, Tom," she sighed. "That's one of your charms. You have such a neat way of saying things. You're a regular lullaby to conscience—almost a sedative."

"I'm dull—but I'm not following you now."

"You will." She leaned forward swiftly. "Last night, Tom, I stayed here all alone—told Mary to muffle the telephone and vanish. I wanted to think about myself. I wanted to take an inventory of Stella Haskell—spinster."

"My dear girl!"

"Spinster," she repeated firmly. "Aged twenty-six. Tom, I've a lot of assets. A pleasing income and a not very displeasing face. I look well in shorts and a beret. I have the usual social accomplishments. I have pretty good sense."

I've a loving nature—I'm very fond of children—and I'd make some man a good wife."

For the first time in his life Tom Meade found it necessary to mask a curious emotion—and that emotion was amazement. Stella Haskell smiled, a little ruefully.

"Dull listening!" she asked him. "I'll be finished in a minute. I've got to come to the what-you-call-em—debts. I checked up on those, too—and there were plenty of them. But, putting it briefly, I came to the conclusion that I was the fool of the world, Tom."

He waited for her to go on.

"When did I meet you, Tom?"

"Why, I don't remember exactly."

"I do! It was at Thelma Horton's party in the dreary month of February, nineteen thirty-one. I said something funny and you laughed. You came across the room and asked me to go out to dinner with you. Mario's place. We went on thinking the same things were funny, and we went on laughing. Ever since that night we've been having a grand time, haven't we, Tom?"

"I see what you're getting at," he said.

"Everybody else must have seen it for a long time," she rejoined. "But it's been all my own fool fault. I accepted you as the most amusing bachelor in London, frankly determined to stay that way. And in the meantime—"

"In the meantime, my dear?"

"Old Time," said Stella. "From now on, Tom, you're a nice casual acquaintance—and I'm staying shyly by the fireside, waiting for eligible young men to call."

"Stella—"

"If you were to propose to me now," said Stella Haskell coolly. "I should tell Mary to lead you out of this house by the ear."

Tom looked at her, smiling a little unhappily. Then he got up and put out his hand.

"All the luck in the world," he said.

Stella laughed—and took his hand in hers.

He remembered the way Stella had of laughing, and of putting out her hand—like a boy.

But every time he thought of Stella he winced. He had been criminally selfish, so far as she was concerned. And criminal selfishness had no part in Tom Meade's debonair existence. He liked people to be happy—largely because he himself wanted to be happy, and his moods reflected other people's.

Well, Stella had been happy enough—playing around with him—but a girl like Stella deserved something better than a transient happiness.

She needed to lay up more substantial treasure—against the withdrawals of "middle-age. And if he himself had not been a confirmed bachelor—

But he was a confirmed bachelor. From the time he was eighteen he had held the advantages of the single life firmly in his mind. And for the thirteen subsequent years he had walked light-

LORRY FATALITY

Scavenging Coolie
Killed

DRIVER CENSURED

"Death by misadventure" was the verdict returned at a Coroner's inquiry conducted by Mr. W. Schofield, at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, into the circumstances surrounding the death of Wong Lee, aged 35, a scavenging coolie of the Sanitary Department, who was knocked down and killed by lorry No. 4135 about 3.15 a.m. on April 17 near the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank.

The dead man lived at the scavenging coolies' quarters at Wanchai. Lo Oi-tik, the driver of the lorry, received a censure from the jury on account of the brakes being bad.

The jury comprised Messrs. D. L. Allen (foreman), E. Manning and Takashuma Kaname. Traffic Inspector C. F. Alexander appeared for the Police.

Sub-Inspector S. C. Saunders, who went to the scene of the accident about 4.20 a.m., said there were no marks on the road to connect with the accident. The off-side head lamp of the lorry was twisted. The foot brake was bad, but the hand brake was quite good. The weather was fine and the road dry. The driver had told him that the lighting on the road was good at the time.

FALL FROM 15TH
FLOORScotsman Killed
In America

New York. The police are investigating the death of Mr. A. P. White, aged 30, a Scottish medical student, who fell early one afternoon last month from the window of his room on the fifteenth floor of the Hotel Taft. The body struck the roof of a motor-car parked outside the Romy Cinema, and hundreds of people entering or leaving the building saw the tragedy.

Mr. White, whose home was in Braid-road, Edinburgh, arrived here the week before. He was to have returned to Scotland soon to resume his medical studies.

He had with him a letter of credit for £500 on the National Bank of Scotland. He registered at the hotel on the morning of the tragedy.

ly but warily around those pitfalls which maidens, widows and fond mammas place in the paths of eligible young men. But now even the mothers had given him up. They shook their heads over him—prayed for his soul—and secretly respected him.

And during the last twenty-four months he hadn't even had to worry about snares and entanglements. Stella was as honourable as the manager of Tom's bank. She was frank about the investment she'd made in their friendship—and about the dividends she'd

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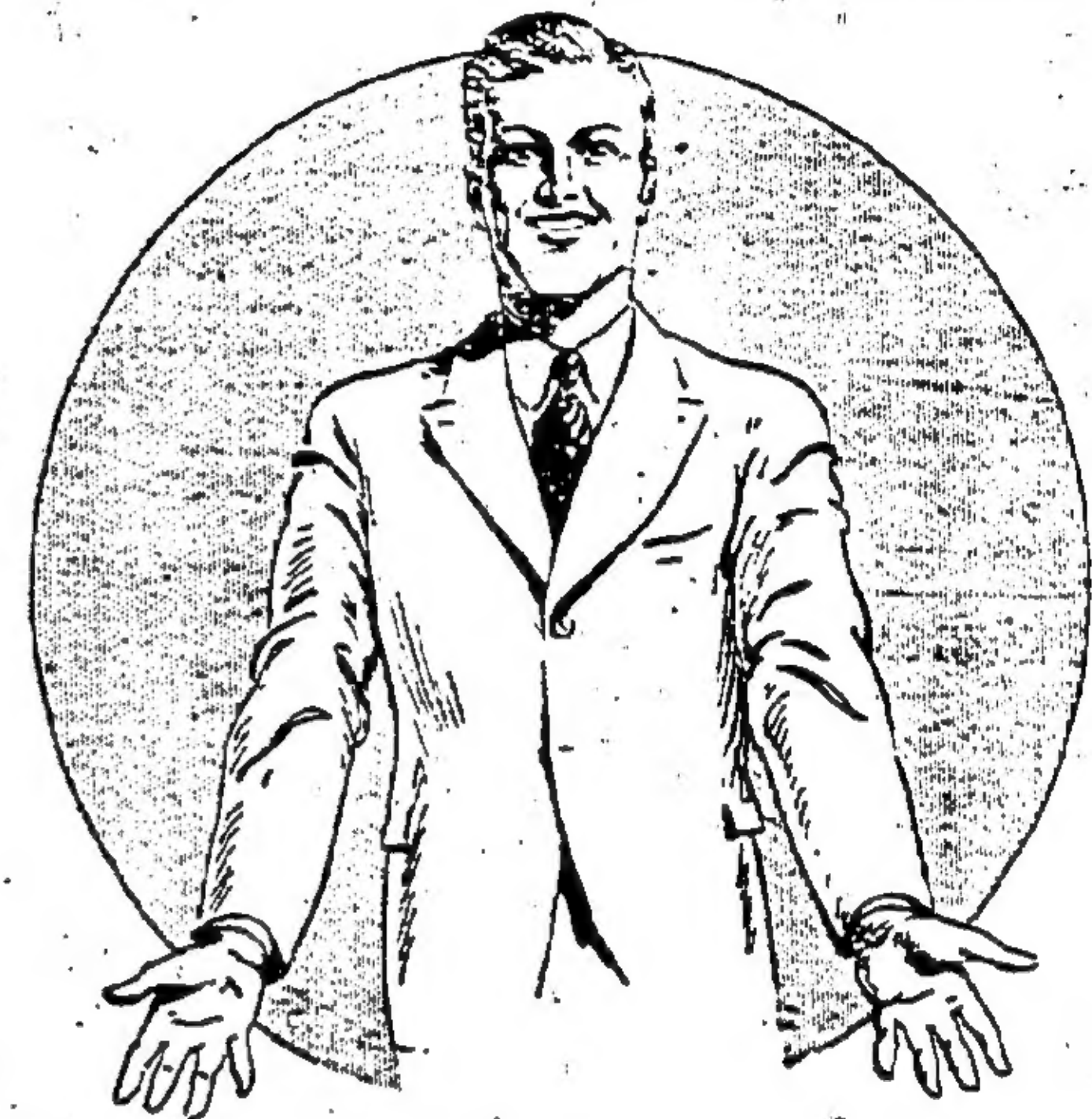
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FOREIGN AFFAIRS DEBATE

SIR A. CHAMBERLAIN ON "FUTILE POLICY"

AMENDMENT OF LEAGUE COVENANT NEEDED NOW

London, To-day.

The debate on Foreign Affairs in the House of Commons yesterday was opened for the Labour Opposition by Dr. Hugh Dalton, who charged the Government with the responsibility of having discredited the League of Nations and the whole idea of collective security and betrayed the trust of the electors.

This was not a narrow issue between defeated Abyssinia and victorious Italy. It was an issue between the League of Nations as a whole and a declared aggressor State, which, aided by overwhelming superiority of armaments and by the breach of the convention solemnly entered into not to use the most barbarous weapons which science had made possible to-day, had for the moment won, in conditions of great inequality, a notable victory.

There was at this stage of affairs no justification whatever for recognising the victory of Italy by the removal of sanctions, which had been imposed upon her by the judgment of the League practically unanimously. In the Opposition's judgment the economic and financial sanctions should continue.

Sir Archibald Sinclair, speaking for the Liberals after Mr. Eden, also claimed that the issue was not yet decided, between the League and Italy. There was a deep sense of humiliation at the sufferings of Abyssinia at the hands of an aggressor, and it would be long before public opinion would forgive the Government responsible for this humiliation—for the responsibility was not the British Government's alone.

FOOL'S PARADISE

Sir Austen Chamberlain said that the idea that Britain could play a part in the League or give reality to the League if it did not recognise that its contributions had to be on the scale of giant power, was to live in a fool's paradise.

In his opinion it was plain that the threat of economic sanctions would not deter a great Power which had deliberately decided upon an act of aggression. For that reason, he said, in the early days of the Italo-Ethiopian dispute he had counted the cost and was prepared to go to all lengths with others—even to the use of military force.

But now the circumstances were wholly and profoundly changed. To ask at this moment for the continuance of sanctions was a policy of equal danger and futility. Regarding the situation, Sir Austen Chamberlain said that the enforcement of the rule of law and the hope to curb aggression by action of the League had failed this time, but it was of failure that men reaped success.

A real effort should be made to get Germany and the other countries back into the League. Consideration should be given to whether the Covenant did not need amending in order to enable the Council or the Assembly to act earlier in a dispute and to take decisions before a catastrophe occurred. He thought the Government was right in trying to underwrite the League by a series of regional pacts and guarantees.

Mr. Eden's Speech

FORMIDABLE QUESTIONS TO BE FACED

The Foreign Secretary intervened early in the Commons debate on foreign affairs yesterday afternoon, and opened with a reference to the events of the last few days in Addis Ababa. He expressed the regret of all at the death of Dr. Melly, of the British Ambulance unit, who succumbed yesterday morning to a wound inflicted by a rioter in the streets of Addis Ababa on Sunday while he was out tending the wounded.

After replying in detail to the criticisms of the Government's conduct of affairs in relation to the Italo-Ethiopian dispute from the time of the Walwal incident onward, which were made by the opening Opposition speaker, Dr. Hugh Dalton, Mr. Eden turned to the future. He said it was clear the League must go on. In the modern world the League was an indispensable piece of international

organisation. That was clear, but it was also clear that each Government and each member of League—for they all had responsibilities—must carefully consider the conclusions to be drawn from the experience of last seven months, and the League as a whole must decide on the future course of action.

His Majesty's Government, he said, proposed to engage at once on consideration of the problems involved. For that purpose they would enter into consultation with the Dominion Governments. They had to admit that the League action had neither prevented the outbreak of war nor arrested it once it had begun. "At most it had made the prosecution of war more difficult and more costly."

MORE VIGOROUS ACTION?

The world and League were accordingly faced with formidable questions. Could they anticipate in future more vigorous action by the League than had proved possible in this dispute? Were the nations likely to undertake graver risks than they had been prepared to take hitherto? Was it possible so to organise the League action that it would be preventative rather than repressive?

Those were some, but only some, of the questions to be faced. The difficulties were great, but the Government would approach them in a spirit of realism and constructive statesmanship. Mr. Eden declined to make a statement on the policy he would pursue at Monday's meeting of the League Council. He claimed that it was not unreasonable that he should ask for the confidence of the House under the present conditions.

BRITISH COURSE

In conclusion Mr. Eden said they should not blind themselves to the perils of the present time. Active rearmament was taking place everywhere. In fact some nations seemed to be arming to the exclusion of almost every other need in their national economies. The British course should be to pursue by every peaceful means a solution of the outstanding problems, to take every opportunity to promote international agreement and at the same time to carry through the rearmament which had now become an indispensable element in the solution of these difficulties, for whatever the future of the world or of world organisations, Britain had a great part to play which it could only do effectively in an armed world.

It had the means at its disposal. EMEROR'S FUTURE

The Foreign Secretary stated in reply to a Commons question yesterday that the conditions generally of the Emperor of Ethiopia's stay in Palestine were under consideration by the Government.—British Wireless Service.

ESCAPE FROM PRISON

Charge Adjudged For One Week

Wong Sing, alias Wong Yee, was this morning charged before Mr. S. F. Balfour at the Central Magistracy with escaping from the Laichikok prison on August 14 last year while serving a sentence of 12 months.

Mr. T. Murphy, A.S.P., who asked for a week's remand, said that the case would be heard at the Kowloon Magistracy and might be one for committal.

SPRING FESTIVAL CELEBRATED

Quarry Bay School Function

MISS PAULINE EWING THE MAY QUEEN

Despite the fact that the weather looked very threatening earlier in the morning, the Quarry Bay School held their Spring Festival, when a large number of parents and friends of the pupils attended. Mr. G. R. Sayer, the Director of Education, and Mrs. Sayer were amongst the large gathering.

Others present being Mrs. A. R. H. Phillips, Mrs. K. E. Greig, Mrs. F. J. de Rome, Mrs. C. C. Stark, Mrs. Clark, Mother Beatrice, Mother Gina and Miss M. Cooper.

The costumes of the children taking part in the Festival were very cleverly designed, and Miss Pauline Ewing made a very charming May Queen.

The Programme

The programme was as follows:—

1. Dance (Three Meet)
2. Entrance of May Queen.
3. Song (Now Is The Month Of Maying).
4. A Fairy Song (Classes 7 and 8).
5. Golliwog Dance (Class 9).
6. Poem (Bob Hylas) by Frank Langley, Peter Kimm and Michael Proulx.
7. Greensleeves (Dance by Class 7).
8. Song (Oh, Soldier, Soldier, Won't You Marry Me) Class 10.
9. Band (Oriental March) by Classes 7 and 8.
10. Song (Three Little Pigs) by Class 9.
11. Poem (The Pied Piper) by Kenneth Stone, Lionel Strange and Classes 7, 8, 9 and 10.
12. Songs (Elfin Fairies) by Classes 7, 8 and 9.
13. Maypole Dance by Class 7.
14. Pippa's Song and The Sweet Rosy Morning, by the Whole School.

CHARLIE CHAPLIN BACK

May Not Attend Premiere

ENJOYABLE HOLIDAY IN INDO-CHINA

Charlie Chaplin, the world-famous comedian, accompanied by Miss Paulette Goddard, his leading lady in the all-starring vehicle "Modern Times," the gala premiere of which takes place to-night at the King's Theatre, and Mrs. Goddard, arrived in the Colony this morning from Haiphong, Indo-China, by the s.s. Canton.

Interviewed this afternoon, Charlie Chaplin denied the rumour to the effect that Douglas Fairbanks and his wife, the former Lady Ashley, were to join him and his party.

He was at present engaged in directing a drama of the East in which Miss Goddard takes a leading part, and stated that about 5,000 feet of the film had already been "shot."

Accompanied by Miss Goddard and her mother, Charlie Chaplin said that they had spent an enjoyable holiday in Indo-China. They will be staying in the Colony for about three days before they proceed to Japan by one of the President liners. They will probably remain in Japan for about a week before returning to the United States. He said it was his intention to go to London later in the year.

Charlie Chaplin said it was very doubtful whether he would attend to-night's gala premiere at the King's Theatre, and it all depended upon how they felt after their trying journey from Haiphong.

LOCAL NEWS BREVITIES

Among the passengers who arrived in the Colony this morning by the R.M.S. Empress of Asia from America was the Hon. Judge M. T. Boncan, of the Court of the First Instance, Manila, who is making a short stay here before continuing his journey by the R.M.S. Empress of Canada.

Mr. R. H. A. Berrick, of Berrick and Co. Ltd., Yokohama, accompanied by Mrs. Berrick, are passing through the Colony en route to Manila by the R.M.S. Empress of Asia.

Mr. R. S. Cummings, a Director of Johnny Walker and Sons (Distillers), Scotland, was among the passengers who disembarked from the R.M.S. Empress of Asia this morning. He has come from the North.

The Hon. Mr. Justice C. Imperial, Judge of the Supreme Court of the Philippine Islands, accompanied by Mrs. Imperial and Master F. Imperial, arrived in the Colony this morning by the R.M.S. Empress of Asia en route to Manila, after completing a round trip to Japan. They will continue their journey to Manila by the R.M.S. Empress of Canada.

Mr. E. Lewis, of Messrs. Jardine Matheson and Co. Ltd. Shanghai, arrived in the Colony this morning by the R.M.S. Empress of Asia.

Mr. S. C. Peake, Managing Director of the Bombay Burma Trading Corporation, was among the arrivals in the Colony this morning by the R.M.S. Empress of Asia.

Mr. F. M. Rutter, Assistant General Manager, Western Lines, Canadian Pacific Railway Co. Ltd., at Vancouver, arrived in the Colony this morning by the R.M.S. Empress of Asia in the course of a round trip to the Philippine Islands.

Miss D. Tuggle, who is connected with the American Embassy at Tokyo, arrived in the Colony this morning en route to Manila by the R.M.S. Empress of Asia. Miss Tuggle is on a short holiday.

The following unclaimed telegrams are lying at the office of the Eastern Extension Telegraph Co., Ltd.:—Mr. Don Spagnoli, American Express, from Manila, and Curry, Peninsular, from Christ Church, New Zealand.

A very pleasant function was held at the European Y.M.C.A. last night when a Chinese dinner and Mahjongg drive was held. Mrs. F. Short and Mrs. Blakey won prizes for the highest and lowest scores in the Ladies' section, while Mr. A. R. Martin and Mr. F. E. Lawrence won similar prizes in the Men's section.

The s.s. Tjondari is expected here from Sourabaya, via Macassar and Manila, to-morrow morning, and will sail at 10 a.m. on Saturday for Amoy, Chinnampo and Dairen.

The s.s. Tanda will leave for Shanghai and Japan on Saturday next at 11 a.m.

LOCAL TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

19 People Injured Last Week

In the Colony of Hong Kong, including the Island, Kowloon and the New Territories, during the week ended at 8 a.m. on Saturday, May 2, there were altogether 45 traffic accidents, as the result of which 19 persons were injured.

Of the persons injured, 16 were pedestrians who were either walking or running across the road and were struck by vehicles.

One bicycle rider was injured when he ran into a tree. Two passengers were injured—one while alighting from a moving motor-bus and the other from a moving tramcar.

A bicycle rider was injured as the result of a collision with another vehicle.

Of the 46 accidents, 17 were collisions between vehicles; 16 were collisions between vehicles and pedestrians; and 12 accidents were due to other causes.

A lecture on "Philosophy and Religion" by Dr. M. O. Finster will be given in the Lodge Room of the Manuk Lodge of the Theosophical Society, Hong Kong Club Annex, 11 Chater Road, at 6 p.m. to-day. Members of the public are cordially invited to attend.

Mr. Laszlo Schwartz, the eminent Hungarian humorist, will give his postponed address to the Hong Kong University Arts Association in the Union Assembly Hall to-night at 9.30. Subject—"Can Art Dispel Depression?" Light refreshments will be served after the meeting.

Mr. Pieter Frederick Jacobus de Kok, of the Nederlandsch Indische Handelsbank, and Miss Toni Heybroek were married at the Registrar's Office, Supreme Court, yesterday afternoon. Messrs. Cornelis Stijger and Theodor Claassen were witnesses.

At the China Fleet Club on Saturday the Royal Engineers Old Comrades' Association will hold one of their popular Fortnightly Dances, which will probably be the last of the season; but if the attendance justifies their continuance they will be carried on through the Summer as Flannel Dances. Music will be supplied by the Band of 2nd Bn. The East Lancashire Regt., by kind permission of Col. A. C. Marsh and officers.

ANNOYANCE ON TELEPHONE

Persistent Calls Made

INDIAN CHARGED

Phalwan Khan, an Indian driver, again appeared before Mr. W. Schofield at the Central Magistracy this morning, charged with making persistent telephone calls to No. 54 The Peak, without reasonable cause and thus causing an annoyance, on May 2.

Mr. C. S. Ruas was for the defendant, who pleaded not guilty.

Sub-Inspector McEwen said that on April 25, Mr. Locke of No. 54 The Peak complained to the Police that a number of calls had been made, asking for the amah. On Sunday, April 26, further calls were made and the telephone Company were asked by the police to assist in tracing these calls. On May 2 calls were traced and evidence would prove that it was the defendant who made them.

Ho Keung-kam, painter at No. 63 Pilken Street, stated that on the day in question, defendant, who had given him work previously, asked permission for the use of the phone which was granted. It was after 12 o'clock and he did not see any other Indian use the phone and did not hear what defendant said.

Chui Chi-hing, an apprentice, stated that defendant was in the shop for more than 15 minutes after noon on May 2 and that he too saw no other Indian in the shop.

Mr. Locke's Evidence

Mr. F. C. Locke, of No. 54 The Peak, said that for the past four weeks many calls on the telephone were made by somebody wanting to speak to the amah. He himself had taken quite a number, but did not know how many the boy took. The speaker at the other end sometimes spoke in pidgin English and sometimes in Chinese, and in the latter case he would call the boy to attend the phone. Two weeks ago he complained to the Mount Gough Police Station, but still several calls were made till last Saturday, when a few minutes before one o'clock he came home and saw his wife engaged on the phone in answer to a call. He took the phone and recognised the voice on the phone as that of the person, who had asked for the amah on previous occasions. Leaving the receiver down he went next door and communicated with the Telephone Company, who he understood traced the call.

Evidence was also given by Pang Yee-ho, a mechanic of the Telephone Co., who said, that acting on instructions, he traced a call to No. 23309 (No. 54 the Peak) to subscriber No. 58578, somewhere in Yaumatei.

The case was adjourned till Thursday morning.

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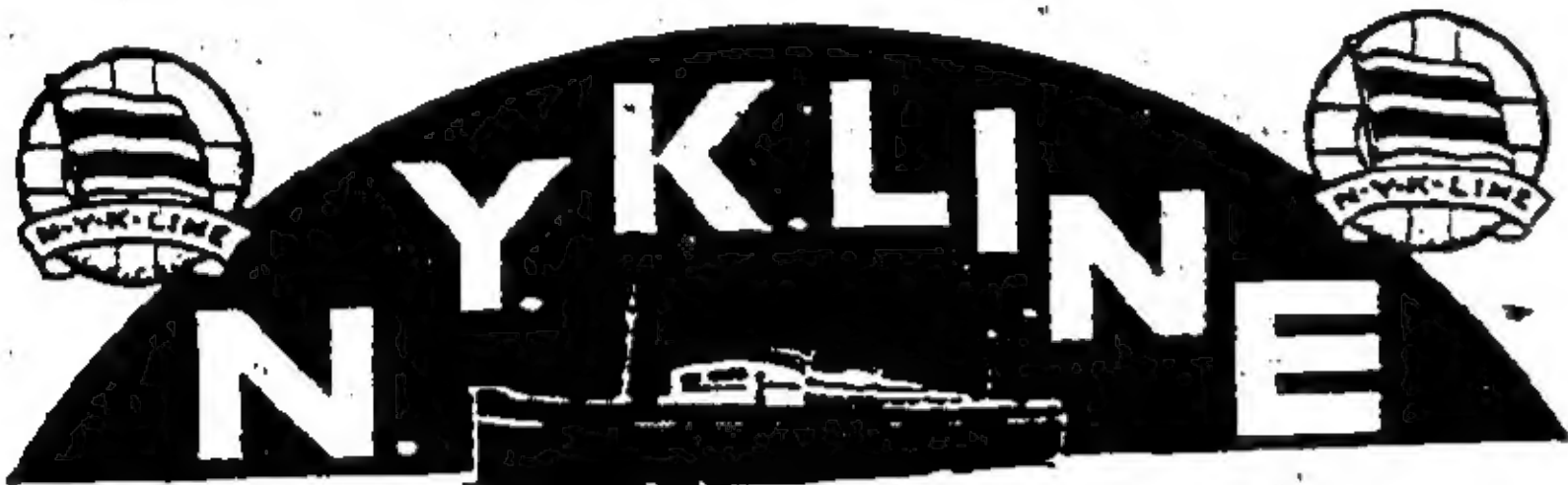
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NEW HOUSING IN AMERICA

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Even if a number of owners of property here are convinced that it will be to their interest to pool their land for a housing development or a housing estate, the owner of a single lot may long delay the construction of the project.

The corner-stone of your housing policy seems to me to be the declaration of "clearance areas," so that property may be taken for housing purposes at its value for such purposes only, the value of buildings being disregarded. In this country legislation to give our cities similar powers would be, in the opinion of qualified lawyers, wholly unconstitutional.

Blazed The Way

The Public Works Administration of the Federal Government has, under the leadership of President Roosevelt and Secretary Ickes, blazed the way toward a new policy of making Federal funds available for housing purposes. Loans have been made at interest rates as low as 3 per cent., and for terms as long as 60 years. Grants or subsidies amounting to 45 per cent. of the cost have been made in some cases. No aid by city or local government toward the construction of low-rental housing in the form of a grant or subsidy is within the power of the local authorities.

After a plot of land has been acquired at a reasonable price, financed with Government aid, and the subsidy has been provided, the time has arrived to begin actual building operations.

Disadvantages

Here again the cause of low-cost housing in America is at a disadvantage in comparison with England. To build it is necessary to pay wages to workers in the building trades. Wages in the building trades in this country are at least 50 per cent. in excess of wages for similar work in England. Even allowing for a somewhat higher price level in this country, it is obvious that the scale of wages for building workers very much increases the cost of building construction.

I am not commenting on the economic soundness of such wages or earnings. I am inclined to believe, in fact, that the higher income enjoyed by the workers in America, providing a greater margin of funds for expenditures, has contributed not only towards the happiness of the individual, but towards the economic growth and expansion of our country as well. That, however, is beside the point.

Regarded solely in its relation to a low-cost housing programme, wages paid to our building workers constitute another hurdle that must be negotiated in America's march towards a low-cost housing programme.

Market For New Homes

The housing market in the United States to-day can be compared with the automobile market if no cars were made to sell for less than \$1,000 (\$200). More than 75 per cent. of the cars built are bought and paid for by families who cannot afford to pay as much as \$1,000. This is the great market for automobiles. It is likewise the great potential market for homes. But few houses are built to fit the rental pocket-books of those families. They are forced to live in antiquated and dilapidated buildings which housed the most fortunate of a generation or two ago.

More than 80 per cent. of the urban housing in America is built to fit the pocket-books of less than one-third of the population, and less than 20 per cent. to fit the needs of two-thirds of the population.

Two-thirds of the families in our country have incomes, according to the best available statistics, of less than \$2,500 (\$500) per year. This is the great mass of the people for whom decent, low-cost Government-aided homes must be built.

Standards Of Comfort

Any consideration of housing in America and Great Britain, however brief, would be incomplete and unjust unless



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it included also some comparison of housing standards here and in your country. Minimum standards as to light, air and provision for open spaces in England are far above similar standards in our country, but minimum standards as to sanitary appliances and conveniences are below those which we, whether rightly or wrongly, regard as minima in our country. Our belief that running hot water, bathrooms, bathtubs and central heating are essential to any new low-cost housing adds just one more obstacle in the way of providing it.

America has at last been awakened to its shocking housing conditions, its "soul-wrecking slums; public opinion has been aroused under President Roosevelt to the necessity for a Government-aided housing programme.

SERIOUS CHARGE ON DOCTOR

Witness's Name Kept A Secret

ALLEGED OFFENCE AGAINST WOMAN

Dr. Dominio Francis Curran, of Muswell Hill-road, Muswell Hill, appeared on remand at Highgate police court last month, charged with an offence against a woman of 22, whose name was suppressed by consent of the magistrates.

At the former hearing Mr. J. J. McIntyre, defending, said that Dr. Curran had a complete answer to the charge.

Mr. E. Clayton, for the Director of Public Prosecutions, said that it might be argued in law that an offence had not been committed. In fact, he said, there was no decision in a case with similar facts.

The woman, in evidence, said that she was a domestic servant, and that her home was in Herefordshire.

"Illegal"

Cross-examined by Mr. McIntyre, she said that when she asked Dr. Curran for assistance he replied that he could not help as it was illegal.

Questioned about what was alleged to have taken place subsequently, she said that she thought the doctor genuinely wanted to help

her. Dr. Curran, she added, told her that he was a domestic servant, and that she would be glad

WIDOW'S STOLEN JEWELLERY

"£8,000 Worth Sold For £100"

CONVICTED MAN TO GIVE EVIDENCE

A story of how £8,000 worth of jewellery, stolen from a woman in the West End, was sold for £100 in a side street near Aldgate was told at Marylebone Police-court last month. Three men were accused of receiving the jewellery.

The case was a sequel to that in which John Diment was accused of stealing the jewellery from the bedroom of Mrs. Eugenie Constance Benson, a widow, of Seymour-street, whom he had accompanied to a dance club.

It was stated that when Diment was convicted at the Old Bailey sentence was postponed, as he had offered to assist the police in recovering the property. He would be called as a witness.

Went To Tea Shop

The men now accused were John Harris, 65, job-buyer, of Osborne-road, Forest Gate, E.; Nathan Sussiene, 35, street trader, of Brunswick-buildings, New Goulston-street, E.; and Samuel Harris, 56, diamond broker, of Shirehall Park, Hendon.

Mr. Knight, prosecuting, said that according to Diment's statement he went to Middlesex-street—"Petticoat-lane"—to dispose of the jewellery. He there met a man named Freeman, a racing tipster, who introduced him to Sussiene. After Sussiene had been shown the jewellery, all three went to a tea shop in Aldgate and there saw the two Harries.

Later all left the tea-shop and went some distance down Mansell-street, where Diment showed the jewellery. The price asked was £20 an article—a total of £100.

John Harris consulted Samuel Harris, and eventually agreed to pay the £100. He had £21 in notes and he gave that to Diment.

Statement "Bunkum"

Mr. Knight said that John Harris, in a statement made after his arrest, declared he did not know the jewellery was stolen. He paid £20 and gave the property to Samuel Harris, who, at Hutton-garden, gave him £40, to include something for Sussiene. John Harris added that he gave Sussiene £10.

When Sussiene was arrested he denied any knowledge of the jewellery, but afterwards admitted that Freeman "brought a fellow along and showed him the stuff." Samuel Harris, when arrested, said that John Harris's statement was "bunkum."

After the three men had been remanded, Sussiene obtained a summons for assault against a man who was stated to have spat in his face and threatened to intimidate a witness.

VISITORS TO BRAZIL

British Subjects Deported

EMBASSY INTERVENES

The British Ambassador at Rio de Janeiro has forwarded a full report concerning the deportation from Brazil of Viscountess Hastings, her sister-in-law, Lady Marion Cameron, daughter of the Earl of Huntingdon, and Mr. R. G. Freeman, the novelist.

The report states that the Brazilian police authorities believed the party were visiting Brazil to instigate an agitation in connection with the treatment of prisoners arrested after the Communist outbreaks of last November.

They were detained on arrival at Rio de Janeiro on Feb. 24, and kept under police supervision until their departure on March 8.

Attempt To Elude

According to the Brazilian authorities they attempted to elude their escort and were summoned to the Central Police Station on March 5.

As the result of intervention by the British Embassy, Viscountess Hastings and Lady Marion Cameron were allowed to leave the police station the same evening. Mr. Freeman was detained until March 7, but had no complaint to make of his treatment.

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A million visitors from all parts of the world are expected to attend the Golden Jubilee celebrations of the City of Vancouver from July 1 to September 7.

Vancouver is Canada's gateway to the Pacific and the Far East. It has had a romantic history and has expanded amazingly in recent years. Now a city of nearly 250,000 people, its harbour is considered by many to rival Sydney Harbour (Australia) for natural beauty. It is Canada's chief port on the Pacific coast.

Elaborate preparations have been made to celebrate the jubilee on a magnificent scale.

Official Opening

The Governor-General of Canada (Lord Tweedsmuir), accompanied by Lady Tweedsmuir, will pay his first visit to British Columbia to open the Canada-Pacific Exhibition at Vancouver on August 26.

Amongst the other notable people invited to Vancouver are President Roosevelt and the Lord Mayor of London.

Another celebrated English visitor will be "Old Bill," one of the original London omnibuses which transported British troops in France in the early days of the Great War.

U.S. President Represented
While it is not expected that President Roosevelt will be able to leave the United States, he will probably be represented by members of his Cabinet. Warships of the United States Navy will also pay a courtesy visit.

The celebrations proper will be inaugurated on July 1 by an unusual radio feature. An after-dinner speaker in London will extend greetings to Vancouver and the reply will be relayed back over the air to England.

Pageantry will play a large part in the celebrations. The history of Vancouver will be reenacted by its citizens and a feature will be a recreation of the original landing of Captain George Vancouver, from whom the city got its name. For four weeks 50 scenes in the city's life will be unfolded on a revolving stage.

Sportsmen Coming

Vancouver will be a Mecca for all kinds of world-famous sportsmen. There will be a \$5,000 (£1,000) professional open golf tournament. The Canadian lawn tennis championships will be decided there, as well as cricket, lacrosse, baseball, boxing, wrestling, athletics and aquatics.

There will be music everywhere, including symphony orchestras, dance bands, massed choirs, community singers, and strolling musicians.

A two-day air pageant will also be staged and as a climax the holder of the trans-United States speed record is expected to make a sensational flight across Canada from west to east.—Reuter.

LONDON SOCIETY WEDDING

Famous British Families United

London.
One of the few weddings solemnised at St. Paul's in recent years last month caused the neighbourhood about the cathedral to become a sea of primroses.

The yellow decoration was in honour of the bride, Miss Ruth Primrose, the 19-year-old wealthy heiress and granddaughter of the Earl of Derby.

She was married to another member of a famous family, the Hon. Charles Wood, the eldest son of Viscount Halifax, the Lord Privy Seal.

Ceremony Rehearsed

The ceremony, which had been previously rehearsed, was one of the most brilliant ever witnessed in St. Paul's Cathedral. More than 2,000 guests attended, while adjacent streets were turned into a motor car park.

The many hundreds of presents included gifts from King Edward VIII and Queen Mary.

BACHELOR

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cut. Likewise she'd been fair and square about closing the account. Tom sighed, and called up Helen Mortimer. He'd met Helen six months before at the Timothy Kents; she'd been lingering vaguely in the back of his mind ever since.

He smiled at Helen over a smartly gleaming little table. All the appointments of the Panther Club were as they should have been—and Helen was even more amazingly pretty than he had remembered her to be.

Then, too, she danced very well. And she danced without talking—a rare restraint in a woman. She didn't even talk when they came back to the table. She merely smiled—but her smile was enchanting.

On the second night she talked a little more. She told him he had more poise than any man she'd ever met.

On the third night she laid her head against his shoulder—because, she said, she was very sleepy.

On the fourth night her mother hovered about for half an hour—in impressive grey satin. Her mother told him to take good care of her little girl—and established the fact, definitely, that Tom Meade descended from the Westchester Meades and not from the Somerset Meades.

On the fifth night he was alone with Helen in a dimly-lighted corner of a rather soiled-looking night-club in Soho.

"I don't know why you wanted to come here," he observed, rather crossly.

Helen looked at him with starry eyes.

"I wanted to see what it was like," she said. "Besides, I feel perfectly safe with you!"

"I suppose that's a compliment," he said.

"Of course it is, Tom! I mean a man like you could handle any situation that might arise. But you couldn't tell about a boy. He might be able to handle it, and he might not."

"Moral," said Tom, "don't play around with boys."

"A woman is always so much older than a man, don't you think?" she demanded softly.

"H'm," said Tom. "I've heard that theory."

"Well—I mean that by the time a girl's my age, for instance, she's really much older than she seems to be. I mean, she's ready to face the responsibilities of life—if she were to have social position, for instance, or anything like that."

Tom Meade could scent danger faintly and from afar. The Mortimers had no claim to that vague estate known as social position—the Meades had. Those were two words which—being linked together—he loathed. But most women laid stress on them.

"I expect you're right," he said. "I like that tune they're playing now—don't you?"

Three hours later he was safe. He'd left Helen at her own door, with the promise of telephoning soon. And he'd driven away from that house as quickly as a sober man dares to drive.

The trouble with him, he concluded, was a weakness for the companionship of nice women. And nice women were, in their own particular way, the most dangerous of all.

He surveyed the situation wistfully. In the whole of London, he thought, there must be at least one nice woman, foot-loose but attractive, who'd accept his attentions for what they were worth. Resolutely he kept himself from telephoning Stella Haskell—whom he was missing terribly. He sent her yellow roses and a new book he knew she'd like to read—but he did not telephone. Stella, he reminded himself firmly, was entitled to her chance. (And so, of course, was little Helen Mortimer).

It occurred to him, at the end of several lonely evenings, that his great mistake had been in searching out young women—young women whose minds weren't made up and whose futures weren't more or less resolved. He needed a companion who was, say, in her thirties—with a rest for life but not for matrimony. It was amazing that he had never hit upon so simple a solution to his problem.

He was very much heartened when he met Pauline Kennedy. From the very beginning there was a sympathetic current between himself and Pauline. She was a

little faded—she looked a little tired. But for these very reasons her voice had an added gentleness, her smile an added charm. He phoned her next day.

She told him, with a quiet chuckle, that she was reading "Pendennis."

"What do you wear?" he demanded.

She understood this.

"A blue-grey wool dress with a monk collar of white satin." She quirked one eyebrow. "And I have a Persian cat with charming manners who curls up neatly at my feet."

"It sounds very restful," he admitted. "May I come over some time and pet the cat and listen to bits of 'Pendennis'?"

"Why, yes," she said, smiling. "But you'll find me very dull, I'm afraid."

He did not find her dull, of course. He liked the picture that she made—in the delightful little flat which she had furnished with such tenderness and care.

It was obvious that she had known unhappiness—but her failures were the rocks upon which she had built her house of life. Everything that she possessed had significance and value. The very cup from which he drank his tea had its own merits.

"I hope you wouldn't prefer a drink," she said, smiling at him across her tea-table.

"Hardly!" he said, with fervour. "This tea is an adventure—an experience. And I realise that I'm appallingly ignorant about tea. This happens to be a rather special blend, I suppose."

"Temple of Heaven," she said softly. "I have it sent to me from China."

"You know," he said, with a certain wonder in his voice, "you've made an art of living!"

She made a small deprecating gesture.

"Because I like fine tea and frail old silver?"

"Not exactly." He fumbled for words. "I meant, possibly, that you have time for—for—"

"For forgotten observances," she concluded quietly. "Perhaps you're right. I've tried to remove myself from—well, from vulgarities."

Tom scratched the Persian cat's ear and stared into the unwinning golden eyes. He thought of Stella Haskell, who had not "removed herself from vulgarities." Stella lived in the thick of life, sorrowing over it and glorying in it. She accepted what it had to offer—evaded none of its dubious gifts. And he'd loved that heraty readiness in Stella.

Yet there was something that he found admirable in Pauline Kennedy's attitude, so different from Stella's—a midsummer languor, perhaps.

"I hope you'll let me come often," he said, almost shyly. "But first—I wonder if you'll come to a concert with me on Saturday afternoon?"

"I'd like nothing better," she assured him.

Their intimacy was tuned to cello notes—threaded with the beautiful, grave passages of old books. He didn't laugh much with Pauline, but he missed laughter only occasionally—and then, always, with the thought of Stella.

He began to bring the vexing problems of his business life to Pauline. She was a sage counsellor—better than that, she was a good listener.

He began to pattern himself to a filial role. He paid Pauline the attentions he might have paid a very young mother, when he was tired, he sat at her feet and rested his head against her knee.

"I'm frightfully fond of you, Pauline."

"I'm just as fond of you, dear boy."

"I think we have a relationship that's rather fine," he said awkwardly.

She poked the Persian cat gently with the toe of her grey suede slipper.

"You know," she said, "we can be honest with each other—because we're not really in love."

He lifted his head.

"Of course," he stammered.

"I'm glad that that sort of thing's behind me," she went on. "I don't want the torment of that sort of love. That's definitely behind me—as if it were some sort of ordeal that I had to face—and that I've faced."

"My poor Pauline," he murmured—a little uncertainly.

"I want nothing but this tranquillity," she said, in her cool,

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grave voice. "I want only pleasant people around me—yes, and pleasant possessions." Again she poked the beautiful cat with her toe. "I—I don't want the burden of loving anyone tempestuously any more!"

He thought, briefly and illogically, of Stella.

"You've never wanted children," Pauline, he ventured slowly, turning now so that he might look up into her eyes.

"Could I expect to have children and tranquillity too?" she asked.

"No-o."

She laughed suddenly and stroked his cheek with one slim finger.

"You should be more sympathetic, Tom," she said. "After all, you've always wanted to shift the more sordid responsibilities yourself!"

He was silent for a moment.

He wanted to question this calm statement—but the challenging words died in his throat. Of course, Pauline was right. But still—

"You're perfect as you are," he said stoutly.

She looked down at him, and smiled in a way that he did not understand.

"Women aren't ever quite happy—alone," she said.

"You mean," he demanded incredulously, "that you'd like to be married again?"

And again she smiled with an archness that he had not known in her.

"Of course," she said, "if the arrangement were civilised."

His eyes followed hers as they roved lightly over the various prized objects within the quiet room. Then he glanced at her again, swiftly.

Now he saw no tenderness in her eyes, but only a restrained greed, and an abhorrent caution.

He left this perfect room shortly afterwards, and he drove away from the house as quickly as a sober man dares to drive.

Stella was not at home. She continued to be not at home. There were rumours, circulating among their mutual friends, that she could be found only in the company of Derek Price, the moving-picture magnate.

"Someone showed Tom a snapshot of Price, taken the summer

before on the sands of Deauville, and Tom resisted an extraordinary impulse to tear the innocuous bit of paper to shreds. Price was not a bad-looking man. Moreover, he looked as if he knew what he wanted—and as if he were in the habit of going after that which he wanted.

"Yes," said Mary eventually. "Miss Haskell is at home."

"May I speak to her, please?" begged Tom.

"Hallo, Tom!" said Stella.

"Stella! Listen—I know this is against all the rules—but can't I come up and see you for a few minutes? I have two or three things to say to you, Stella."

"What sort of things, Tom?"

"Oh, one of 'em's an axiom—and then there's a sort of amendment to the axiom—"

"Anything else?"

"Yes. A suggestion."

"Come over with all 'those things,' said Stella.

But she was laughing at him. She was still laughing at him when he produced the axiom.

"All women want to get married," he said solemnly.

"I'll mix you a little drink, Tom," said Stella sympathetically.

"Wait a minute. There's an exception to that rule. You're the exception."

"But I—"

"You never tried to marry me," he interposed. "That's all. I'm driving at this is very personal, you see."

"I see—vaguely," said Stella. "And what's the suggestion, Tom?"

"The suggestion is that you do marry me. I'm mad about you. You aren't engaged to that fellow Price, are you?"

"No. We didn't speak the same language."

"Well, I've been a fool. But I've always been mad about you. I just didn't have the sense to—to—"

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Berlin, To-day.

A record number of divorces in Germany has been counted in 1935 by the Reich Statistical Bureau in a report just published here, according to which nearly 54,500 marriages were dissolved during that year, or 28 per cent. more than in the preceding year.

The bureau interprets this rise in the number of divorces as a result of the improvement of economic conditions in Germany, which in its opinion enabled a large number of persons to seek relief from the courts who had in previous years been prevented by their unfavourable economic position from doing so.

This view would appear to be confirmed by the fact that this relief attained, there was a fall of some 5,000 in the number of divorce cases for 1935—Trans-Ocean Service.

BUDGET SECRETS LEAKAGE

Enquiry Opening On Monday

London, To-day.

In the House of Commons yesterday the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Mr. Neville Chamberlain, announced that Mr. Justice Porter would preside over the budget leakage enquiry, assisted by Mr. Gavin Simmonds and Mr. Roland Oliver, both King's Counsel. The enquiry is opening on Monday. — Reuter.

TRIBUTES TO LORD WILLINGTON

Ex-Viceroy Calls On Premier

London, To-day.

Lord Willington, ex-Viceroy of India, called on the Prime Minister, Mr. Stanley Baldwin, at No. 10, Downing Street, yesterday morning and had half an hour's conversation with the Premier.

Lord Willington paid a tribute to Lord Willington at the London Chamber of Commerce dinner on Tuesday night, in which he stated that while England had men of the calibre and far-sightedness of Lord Willington, then the foundations of the British Empire could never be shaken.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

KING FAROUK IN EGYPT

Enthusiastic Scenes Greet Arrival

Cairo, To-day.

Scenes of the greatest enthusiasm marked the arrival of King Farouk at Cairo, yesterday. A salute of 21 guns thundered out and enormous crowds applauded as the King emerged from the railway station.

The King's first act was to drive to the citadel and pray at his father's tomb.—Reuter's Bulletin Service.

FORMER SUFFRAGE LEADER PASSES

Vienna, To-day.—Frau Marianne Hainisch, one of the first women in the Austrian suffrage movement and mother of the first President of Austria, Herr Michael Hainisch, has died here, aged 98.—Trans-Ocean Service.

BRITISH LADY NOVELIST PASSES

London, To-day.—The authoress Beatrice Harraden, whose novel "Ships That Pass in the Night" made a vogue in the nineties, has died, aged 72.—British Wireless Service.

WEATHER REPORT

The anti-cyclone has moved into the Eastern Sea, and the depression has deepened and passed into the Pacific to the east of Japan. East and south-east winds, moderate; cloudy generally, was the forecast for to-day as issued by the Royal Observatory this morning.



Charlie Chaplin, above, the world famous screen comedian, arrived in the Colony from Haiphong this morning by the S.S. Canton. It is understood he will be remaining here for three days, before returning to America.

ENGLISH IN SCHOOLS

First Foreign Tongue In Germany

"CHINA MAIL" SPECIAL
Berlin, To-day.

The Minister of Education, Herr Rust, has issued a decree that from the beginning of the next school year English instead of French must be taken as the first foreign language in all secondary schools in Germany, except in the purely humanistic establishments, whose number will, however, gradually be reduced.—Trans-Ocean Service.

BY-ELECTION AT PECKHAM

Labour Wins Seat From Conservatives

London, To-day.

The by-election at Peckham due to Viscount Borodale succeeding the late Earl Beatty in the Peerage resulted in a win for Mr. Silkin (Labour) with 13,007 votes, against Mr. Harvey (National Conservative) with 12,907.—Reuter.

"SOMEONE MUST SPEAK"

Dean And Need For Political Sermons

Manchester.—The Dean of Manchester, Dr. Garfield Williams, preaching in Manchester Cathedral last month, challenged the view that the Church should not interfere in politics.

"It is quite time," he said, "that somebody who has the right to speak for the people of this country should say to France, Italy and Germany that our people have not the remotest intention of being drawn into war through an infraction by Germany of the Locarno Pact."

"It will be perfectly useless for the nations to manoeuvre Britain into a position where she would be forced to break the letter of this Pact or to go to war."

The people of this country, added the Dean, were convinced that since the war all the signatories had been guilty of such sins of omission and commission as to make it positively ridiculous. The spirit of the Pact had been broken again and again by France and Italy.

DRESS REFORM IN CANTON

Vigorous Protests By Women

REGULATIONS TO BE "RATIONALISED"

(From Our Own Correspondent)

Canton, To-day.

The relentless persecution of fashionable ladies conducted by the police authorities, has been somewhat relaxed to-day, as a result of the Women's Rights Association's vigorous protest against the absurd police rules prohibiting fashionable clothes.

While public opinion is against extravagant dresses, there is no support, except by a few high military officials, of the new regulations banning stylish clothes, which are worn alike by well-dressed women in Hong Kong, Shanghai, Tientsin and elsewhere.

In deference to the wishes of the Women's Association, the South-west Political Council has instructed the provincial Government to "rationalise" the regulations. Enforcement of the rules may be suspended in the meantime.

BADOGGIO'S PROMISE

(Continued from Page 1)

Jerusalem: The Negus, Haile Selassie, is expected to arrive in Haifa to-morrow morning aboard the British destroyer Enterprise. The Abyssinian Consul here stated to pressmen that the Emperor will, immediately after landing, proceed to Jerusalem, where he will stay as the guest of the British High Commissioner.

Concerning the Negus's plans, the Consul said that His Majesty intended to go to London, but might possibly travel to Geneva in order to attend there in the capacity of observer the League Council negotiations on the subject of Ethiopia.

SOUTHERN ADVANCE

Rome: After the Abyssinian collapse, the Italian advance on the Southern Front progresses without encountering any notable resistance, and it is expected that General Graziani will occupy Harrar within the next fortnight.

DR. MELLY PASSES

Addis Ababa: The head of the British Red Cross in Abyssinia, Dr. Melly, who was gravely wounded during the disorders last Saturday, died as a result of his injuries yesterday.

EIGHT-PAGE PAPERS
Rome: The decree restricting the volume of newspapers to six pages, which was issued some months ago as a defensive measure against the effect of sanctions, has been suspended for the limited time of two weeks, allowing the papers four days in the week to appear with eight pages.

AIRMAN RELEASED

Paris: The French aviator Drouillet, formerly aeronautical adviser to the Negus of Ethiopia, as reported, was compelled to land in Italy while attempting to fly from Paris to Abyssinia with an aeroplane which the French authorities had sequestered. Drouillet was kept since his forced landing in Rome as a prisoner of war, but has now been released by order of Signor Mussolini.—Trans-Ocean Service.

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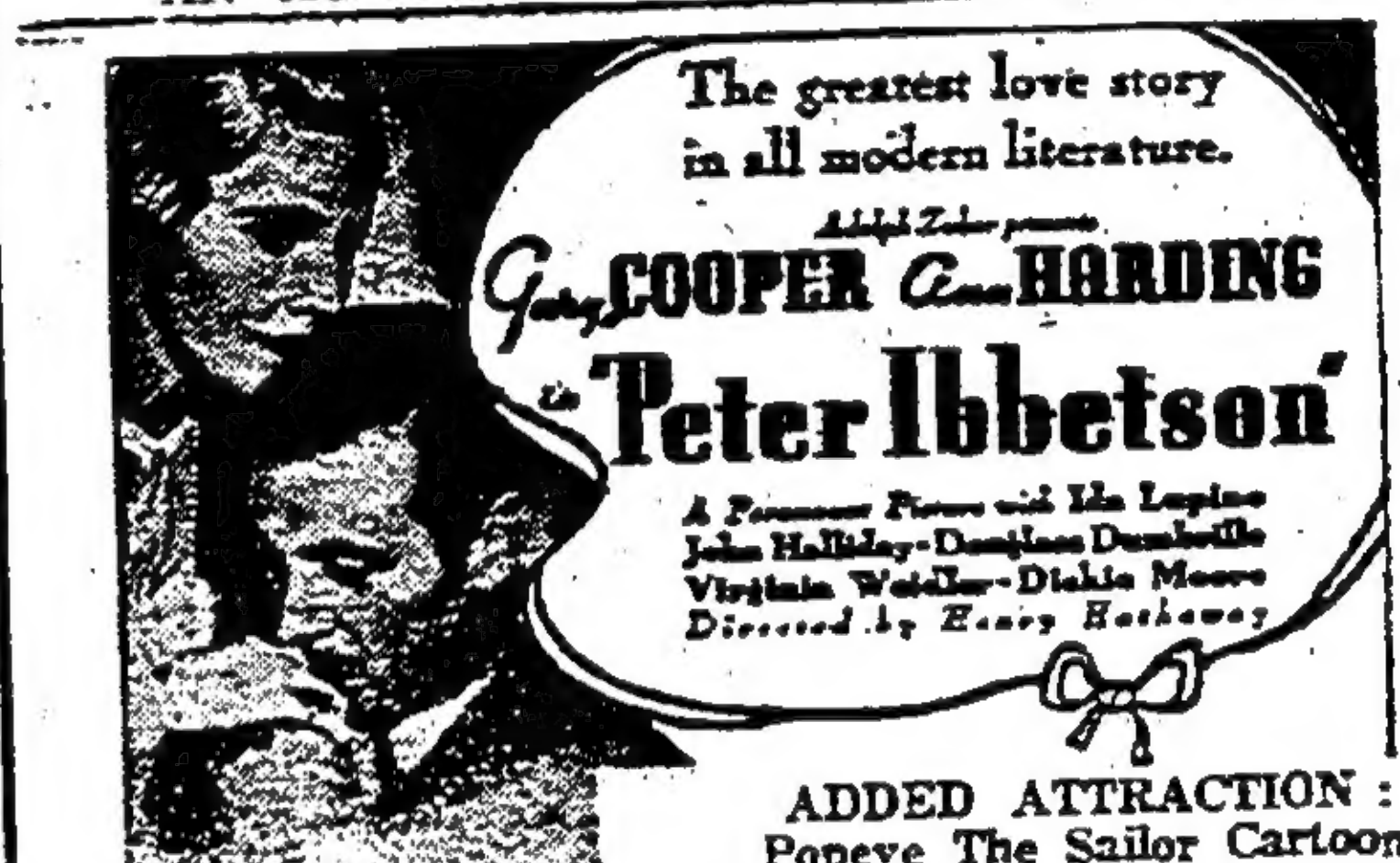
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